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Mercantile Companies Statistics (MC) August 2024. Provisional data

Main results

- The number of mercantile companies created increased by 3.9% in August compared to the same month in 2023.
- The number of dissolved companies increased by 0.9% compared to the same month in 2023.

More information

- [Annex of tables](#) (includes information from the Autonomous Communities)
- [Detailed results](#)

In August, 6,874 mercantile companies were incorporated, 3.9% more than in the same month in 2023. The subscribed capital for incorporation recorded an annual decrease of 76.7% and the average subscribed capital (55,112 euros) fell by 77.6%.

On the other hand, 1,806 companies increased their capital, 16.9% fewer than in August 2023. Capital subscribed in capital increases fell by 35.4%.

The number of dissolved mercantile companies increased by 0.9% in annual rate. 79.4% of them did so voluntarily.

Mercantile companies created, increasing their capital and dissolved. August 2024

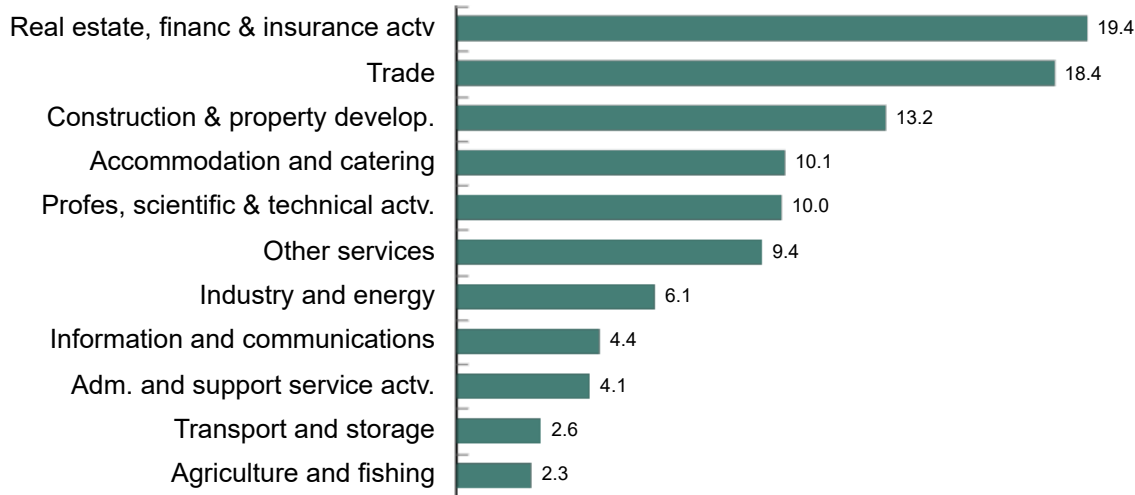
		Total	% Variation		
			Monthly	Annual	Annual accumulated
Mercantile companies created	Number	6,874	-29.2	3.9	5.3
	Capital subscribed (thousands of euros)	378,842	10.3	-76.7	-11.5
	Average capital subscribed (euros)	55,112	55.7	-77.6	-15.9
Mercantile companies increasing their capital	Number	1,806	-20.7	-16.9	-3.5
	Capital subscribed (thousands of euros)	1,072,737	-41.7	-35.4	2.3
	Average capital subscribed (euros)	593,985	-26.5	-22.3	6.0
Mercantile companies dissolved	Number	1,361	-14.1	0.9	-4.5
	- Voluntary	1,080	-12.3	-0.6	-3.6
	- Merger	151	-12.2	-10.7	-23.0
	- Other	130	-28.2	38.3	10.0

Results by main economic activity principal

19.4% of the mercantile companies created in August corresponded to *Real Estate, Finance and Insurance* and 18.4% to *Trade*. As for dissolved companies, 22.5% were engaged in *Trade* and 14.7% in *Construction*.

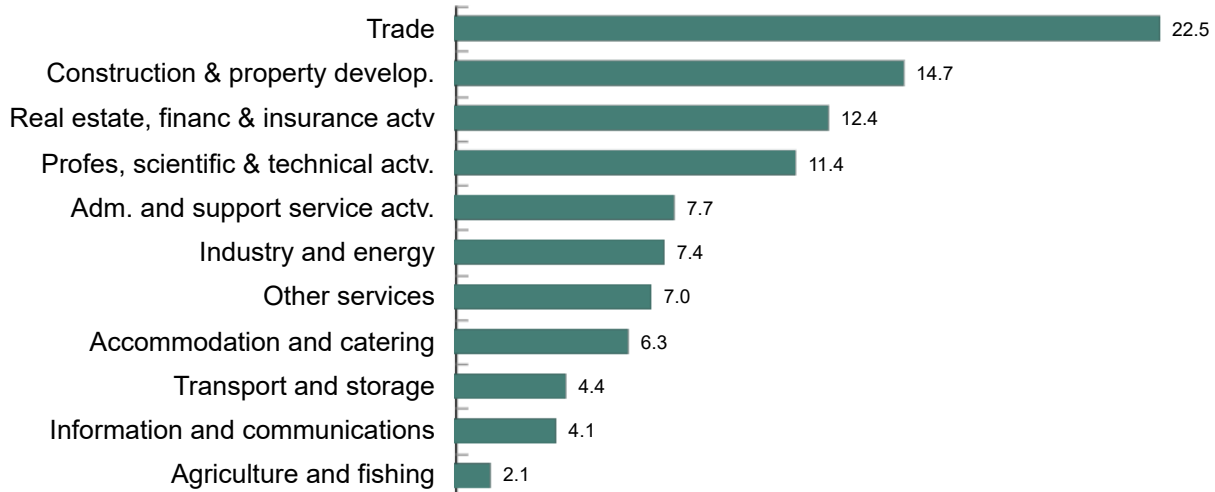
Mercantile companies created by main economic activity. August 2024

Percentage



Mercantile companies dissolved by main economic activity. August 2024

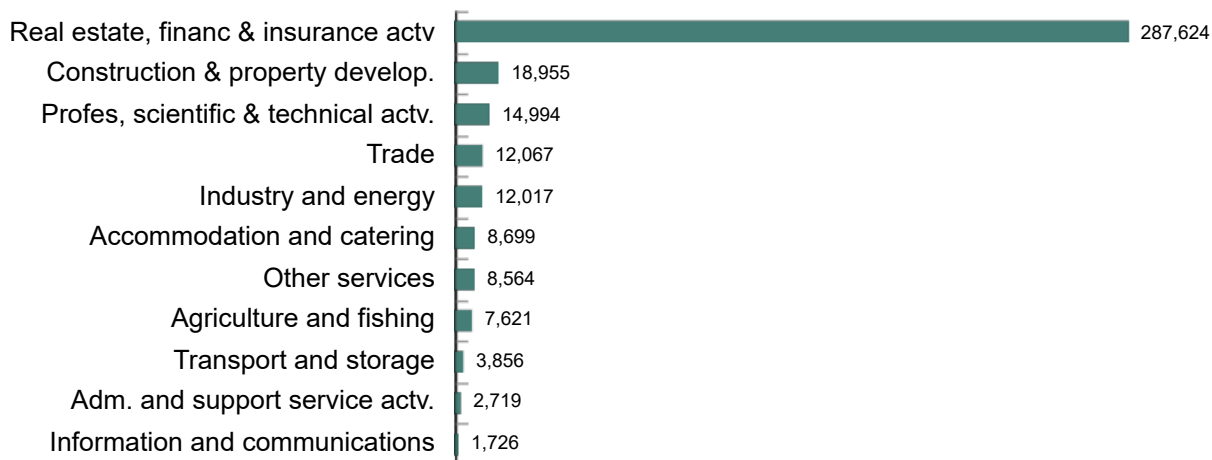
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The economic activity with the largest subscribed capital of mercantile companies incorporated was *Real estate, financial and insurance*, with 287.62 million euros. In turn, *Information and communications* companies had the lowest capital, with 1.73 million.

Capital subscribed of mercantile companies created by main economic activity. August 2024

Thousands of euros



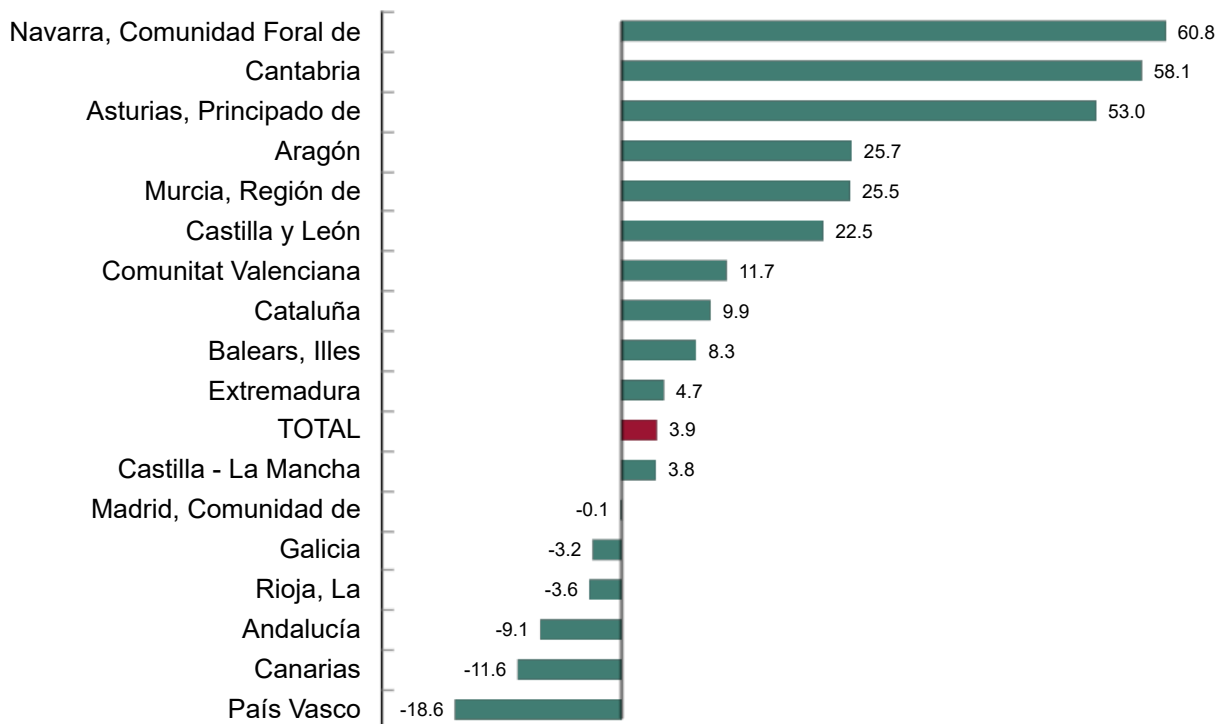
Results by Autonomous Community

Comunidad Foral de Navarra (60.8%), Cantabria (58.1%) and Principado de Asturias (53.0%) recorded the highest annual growth in the number of mercantile companies incorporated.

On the other hand, País Vasco (-18.6%), Canarias (-11.6%) and Andalucía (-9.1%) registered the largest decreases.

Annual variation in mercantile companies created by Autonomous Community. August 2024

Percentage



Revision and updating of data

The data for 2024 are provisional and will be reviewed when the data for the same period next year are published. All results of this operation are available on [INEbase](#).

Methodological note

The Mercantile Companies Statistics were created by Order of 30 April 1938. Their objective is to measure the demographics of companies, providing monthly information, at provincial and Autonomous Community level, on the companies incorporated, dissolved and those in which there have been changes in capital.

The source of information is the Central Mercantile Registry, which collects all provincial information on the registration of companies and entrepreneurs, as well as mercantile acts determined by law.

Type of survey: continuous monthly survey.

Population scope: set of companies registered in the Central Mercantile Register.

Geographical scope: the entire national territory, by Autonomous Communities and provinces.

Reference period of the results: the calendar month.


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Collection method: official records.

More information on the [methodology](#) and the [standardised methodological report](#).

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