

Compendium

# Non-financial corporations

Public and private sector non-financial corporations.

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# 1 . Non-financial corporations

Non-financial corporations produce goods and services for the market and do not, as a primary activity, deal in financial assets and liabilities.

This sector includes retailers, manufacturers, utilities, business service providers (such as accountancy and law firms), caterers, haulage companies, airlines, construction companies, and farms, among others.

The non-financial sector is broken down into two subsectors:

- public sector non-financial corporations
- private sector non-financial corporations

In our [accompanying dataset \(XLSX, 3.4 MB\)](#):

- worksheets 3.1.1 to 3.1.11 in the non-financial corporations as a whole
- worksheets 3.2.1 to 3.2.11 relate to public non-financial corporations, which are government-owned or government-controlled trading businesses
- worksheets 3.3.1 to 3.3.11 relate to private non-financial corporations, which are trading businesses in the private sector

All the tables are downloadable as an Excel workbook.

Further information can be found on our sector classifications and classification decisions can be found in [Economic statistics classifications web page](#).

## 2 . Cite this chapter

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