

10. ORGANIZATIONAL STATISTICS

Organizational statistics draws data from the **Statistical Business Register (RES)**. The Statistical Business Register is a public list, which is made and maintained by the CZSO pursuant to the Act No. 89/1995 Sb., on the State Statistical Service, as amended. It serves mainly for preparation and conducting of statistical surveys. It is kept updated with data from statistical surveys and data from the Commercial Register, trade licensing offices, and other administrative sources. After basic registers of public administration were put into operation on 1 July 2012, the basic Administrative Business Register (ROS) became the main source for updates of the Statistical Business Register.

The Statistical Business Register keeps records of **legal persons** including organizational units of the state and **natural persons** with the status of an entrepreneur. **Natural persons** include private entrepreneurs in business under the Trade Act, agricultural entrepreneurs – natural persons, and natural persons in business under other acts. Since 2013, the register does not distinguish between natural persons incorporated and unincorporated in the Commercial Register.

Business companies and partnerships include general commercial partnerships, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, joint-stock companies and since 2010 also European economic interest groupings and European companies (Societas Europaea, SE). **Cooperatives** include also European cooperative societies (Societas Cooperativa Europaea, SCE).

On 1 January 2014, in relation to the new Civil Code, there was a huge change in the keeping of records on **civic associations**. Active civic associations were transferred to new legal forms – most frequently an association (previously a legal form in English also called an association) and a subsidiary association (formerly an organizational unit of an association), which are incorporated in the Register of Associations.

As at the same date, also entities from the original legal form “foreign entity” (in previous yearbooks called “the rest of the world (non-residents)”) were transferred to new forms. Since 1 January 2014, **foreign entities** (previously called “the rest of the world (non-residents)”) include branches of foreign legal persons, organizational components of foreign endowment funds, organizational components of foreign foundations, and especially foreign natural persons.

The breakdown of the Statistical Business Register by **principal activity** corresponds to sections of the **Classification of Economic Activities (CZ-NACE)**. Businesses are classified to **institutional sectors** in accordance with the **Nomenclature of Institutional Sectors and Subsectors**. Individual sectors (subsectors) include entities (businesses), which have similar basic activities, functions, and economic behaviour and belong to the same type of producer. The **households** sector includes individuals or groups of individuals as final consumers and small entrepreneurs producing market goods and services (craftsmen, self-employed farmers, private medical doctors, lawyers, tax advisors, etc.), dwelling unit owners associations, and since 2014 also foreign natural persons (previously classified to foreign controlled private enterprises).

A **business with identified activity** is that, which reports economic activity according to information from statistical surveys or administrative data sources.