Business Activity Statistics, January - December 2012

Introduction

Statistics on business activity presented in this publication cover activities in the Island of Mauritius which are:

- (i) licensed with the local authorities (registered with the appropriate municipalities and district councils), or
- (ii) registered with organisations such as the Medical and Dental Council, the National Transport Authority, the Tourism Authority, etc.

The statistics refer to the total number of licensed or registered activities and not to the total number of operation units or enterprises. They exclude agricultural activities.

Note to users

Henceforth business activities are classified according to the National Standard Industrial Classification Revision 2 (NSIC 2) instead of NSIC 1. Comparable statistics on business activities for December 2011 and December 2012 based on NSIC 2 are at Tables 1, 3 and 5.

2. Evolution of licences between December 2011 and December 2012

The number of licences increased by around 3% from 106,667 in December 2011 to 109,714 in December 2012 (Table 1). During this period, 6,668 new licences were issued, the majority of which (4,259 or 64%) was in the industry group 'Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles', while 3,621 licences were cancelled.

3. Registrations by industry group

The number of registered activities increased by 2% from 33,208 in December 2011 to reach 33,991 in December 2012 (Table 3). This represents an increase of 783 activities of which 335 (43%) from the industry group 'Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles', 158 (20%) from the group 'Arts, entertainment and recreation' and 156 (20%) for the group 'Human health and social work activities'.

4. Business activities

Between December 2011 and December 2012, the total number of business activities (computed as the number of licences and registrations after adjusting for activities that are both registered and licensed) increased by around 3% from 133,723 to 138,236, of which 61% (72,991) falls under the industry group 'Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles' and 16% (10,542) under industry group 'Accommodation and food service activities' (Table 5).

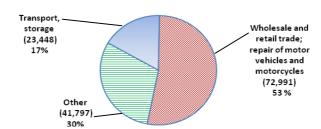


Figure 1 - Business activities by industry group as at December 2012

5. Business activities by district

Plaines Wilhems district which has the highest population, ranked first in terms of number of business activities (38,765 or 28%), as indicated in Table 6. Port Louis which is the capital city of Mauritius with a relatively lower population size and which is considered as the centre of business activities of the island, ranked second (23,952 or 17%). On the other extreme, Savanne which is the smallest district in terms of population, had also the smallest number of business activities (5,857 or 4%).

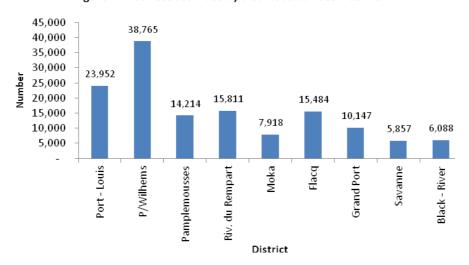


Figure 2 - Business activities by district as at December 2012

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Table 1 - Evolution of licences between January and December 2012

NSIC	To destroy success	2011	January to D	ecember 2012	2012 ¹
Section	Industry group	(as at December)	Issued	Cancelled	(as at December)
	Total	106,667	6,668	3,621	109,714
В	Mining and quarrying	35	-	1	34
C	Manufacturing	8,205	618	260	8,563
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1	-	-	1
E	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	13	-	-	13
F	Construction	1,914	108	111	1,911
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	68,961	4,259	2,428	70,792
H	Transportation and storage	5,656	47	25	5,678
I	Accommodation and food service activities	8,433	586	323	8,696
J	Information and communication	443	81	19	505
K	Financial and insurance activities	596	56	44	608
L	Real estate activities	590	68	22	636
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	1,982	233	103	2,112
N	Administrative and support service activities	2,085	86	49	2,122
P	Education	452	4	3	453
Q	Human health and social work activities	368	45	6	407
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,880	73	70	2,883
S	Other service activities	4,053	404	157	4,300

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Source: Local Authorities

Table 2 - Licences by industry group and district as at December 2012¹

Number Plaines Wilhems Rempart Pample-mousses Savanne Riv-du-Port Louis Flacq Black River **NSIC** Port All **Industry group** Section districts 31,279 Total 109,714 18,423 10,333 11,515 6,137 12,138 9,372 5,132 5,385 В Mining and quarrying 34 3 2 7 5 7 10 \mathbf{C} Manufacturing 1,349 2,541 921 807 472 879 705 403 8,563 486 Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply D 1 E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and 5 2 5 13 remediation activities F Construction 1,911 198 764 122 85 109 247 197 122 67 \mathbf{G} Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles 70,792 12,033 20,889 6,841 7,860 4,018 8,023 5,407 2,856 2,865 and motorcycles H Transportation and storage 5,678 1,001 1,101 235 317 157 402 1,149 522 794 8,696 1,063 Ι Accommodation and food service activities 1,912 1,151 1.193 575 1.181 755 385 481 J Information and communication 505 118 187 36 19 27 34 8 30 46 K Financial and insurance activities 608 157 152 38 63 25 25 24 68 56 60 L Real estate activities 636 105 183 58 110 44 43 21 12 Professional, scientific and technical activities 758 137 88 20 94 M 2,112 660 113 188 54 N Administrative and support service activities 473 425 180 286 104 193 142 83 236 2,122 P 12 Education 453 128 200 13 20 19 36 20 5 22 Q Human health and social work activities 407 76 191 35 40 15 9 12 7 81 R Arts, entertainment and recreation 2,883 305 528 133 133 201 539 512 451 \mathbf{S} 4,300 205 Other service activities 651 1,542 421 442 192 398 299 150

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Source: Local Authorities

Table 3 - Evolution of registrations between January and December 2012

		1	Number
NSIC Section	Industry group	December 2011	December 2012
	Total	33,208	33,991
C	Manufacturing	17	16
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	5	5
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1,177	1,512
Н	Transportation and storage	23,067	23,108
I	Accommodation and food service activities	1,979	1,991
K	Financial and insurance activities	5	14
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	873	895
N	Administrative and support service activities	3,466	3,504
P	Education	1,126	1,145
Q	Human health and social work activities	1,252	1,408
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	183	341
S	Other service activities	58	52

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Source : Regulatory bodies like Tourism Authority, Professional Councils, National Transport Authority, etc. (See Annex)

Table 4 - Registrations by industry group and district as at December 2012¹

				-		-					Number
NSIC Section	Industry group	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	33,991	6,414	8,253	4,377	4,351	1,866	3,889	1,958	1,226	1,657
C	Manufacturing	16	8	1	1	-	-	1	2	2	1
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	5	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1,512	231	59	296	225	9	238	103	95	256
Н	Transportation and storage	23,108	3,780	5,409	3,202	3,282	1,283	3,007	1,465	953	727
I	Accommodation and food service activities	1,991	172	438	213	328	61	228	125	44	382
K	Financial and insurance activities	14	3	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	895	793	71	7	7	8	2	2	1	4
N	Administrative and support service activities	3,504	1,099	1,087	349	283	364	81	85	30	126
P	Education	1,145	162	399	111	89	68	128	93	53	42
Q	Human health and social work activities	1,408	142	771	134	76	60	123	47	40	15
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	341	18	3	56	56	4	70	35	6	93
S	Other service activities	52	6	12	7	5	1	9	-	1	11

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Source: Regulatory bodies like Tourism Authority, Professional Councils, National Transport Authority, etc. (See Annex)

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Table 5 - Business activities¹ by industry group as at December, 2011 and 2012

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NSIC			2011			2012 ²	Number
Section	Industry group	Licences only	Registrations	Total	Licences only	Registrations	Total
	Total	100,515	33,208	133,723	104,245	33,991	138,236
В	Mining and quarrying	35	-	35	34	-	34
C	Manufacturing	8,241	17	8,258	8,530	16	8,546
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	0	5	5	-	5	5
E	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	17	-	17	16	-	16
F	Construction	1,914	-	1,914	1,911	-	1,911
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	69,080	1,177	70,257	71,479	1,512	72,991
Н	Transportation and storage	507	23,067	23,574	340	23,108	23,448
I	Accommodation and food service activities	7,860	1,979	9,839	8,551	1,991	10,542
J	Information and communication	443	-	443	505	-	505
K	Financial and insurance activities	599	5	604	608	14	622
L	Real estate activities	590	-	590	636	-	636
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	1,823	873	2,696	1,881	895	2,776
N	Administrative and support service activities	1,882	3,466	5,348	2,002	3,504	5,506
P	Education	475	1,126	1,601	503	1,145	1,648
Q	Human health and social work activities	224	1,252	1,476	266	1,408	1,674
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,656	183	2,839	2,683	341	3,024
S	Other service activities	4,169	58	4,227	4,300	52	4,352

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Table 6 - Business activities¹ by industry group and district as at December 2012²

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NSIC Section	Industry group	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	138,236	23,952	38,765	14,214	15,811	7,918	15,484	10,147	5,857	6,088
В	Mining and quarrying	34	3	2	7	-	-	5	7	-	10
C	Manufacturing	8,546	1,356	2,539	923	820	469	848	706	487	398
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	5	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-
E	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	16	6	2	5	1	-	-	1	-	1
F	Construction	1,911	198	764	122	85	109	247	197	122	67
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	72,991	12,351	21,210	6,974	8,419	4,089	8,381	5,459	2,968	3,140
Н	Transportation and storage	23,448	4,061	5,540	3,159	3,288	1,289	2,911	1,518	956	726
I	Accommodation and food service activities	10,542	1,235	2,350	1,364	1,521	636	1,379	880	429	748
J	Information and communication	505	118	187	36	46	19	27	34	8	30
K	Financial and insurance activities	622	160	155	38	63	32	68	56	25	25
L	Real estate activities	636	105	183	58	110	44	43	21	12	60
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	2,776	1,357	706	140	119	193	88	56	21	96
N	Administrative and support service activities	5,506	1,572	1,504	499	519	468	244	227	113	360
P	Education	1,648	283	639	138	111	97	150	108	63	59
Q	Human health and social work activities	1,674	170	899	165	100	75	130	59	44	32
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	3,024	320	531	157	162	205	554	518	457	120
\mathbf{S}	Other service activities	4,352	657	1,554	428	447	193	407	299	151	216

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Table 7.1 - Business activities¹ by type and district for industry group 'Manufacturing' as at December 2012²

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NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	8,546	1,356	2,539	923	820	469	848	706	487	398
10, 11 & 12	Food product, beverages and tobacco	2,437	280	698	278	243	146	241	240	188	123
13 & 14	Textiles and wearing apparel	2,122	249	636	221	229	156	272	152	134	73
15	Tanning and dressing of leather & related products	153	47	45	18	6	6	7	12	6	6
16 & 31	Wood product including furniture	921	155	335	74	66	41	98	86	37	29
17 & 18	Paper product, printing and reproduction of recorded media	377	146	115	30	15	11	12	15	9	24
19	Coke and refined petroleum products	6	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	1
20 & 21	Chemicals and chemical products	109	23	23	18	9	5	5	9	3	14
22	Rubber and plastic products	223	78	53	18	16	6	9	23	11	9
23	Non-metallic mineral products	91	17	15	21	5	6	8	7	2	10
24, 25 & 28	Basic & fabricated metals and machinery, n.e.c	779	109	248	107	98	36	60	57	39	25
26	Computer, electronic and optical products	84	17	29	14	11	4	3	3	1	2
27	Electrical equipment	22	7	6	4	-	1	-	1	-	3
29 & 30	Motor vehicles, trailers and other transport equipment	20	6	5	-	3	2	-	2	-	2
32111-32120	Jewellery and related products	642	128	179	56	65	26	86	49	39	14
32200-32909 & 33	Manufacturing, n.e.c.	560	93	152	64	54	23	46	47	18	63

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Table 7.2 - Business activities¹ by type and district for industry group 'Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles' as at December 2012²

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NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	72,991	12,351	21,210	6,974	8,419	4,089	8,381	5,459	2,968	3,140
451 & 452	Sale and repairs of motor vehicles	972	155	304	112	79	56	97	72	51	46
453	Sale of motor vehicle spare parts and accessories	907	230	298	84	59	41	71	58	31	35
454	Sale and repairs of motorcycles/spare parts	555	130	147	58	49	21	63	45	32	10
46	Wholesaler/Commission Agent except of motor vehicles	10,987	2,414	3,554	694	663	646	1,522	575	350	569
4711	Retail sale in non specialised store(foodstuff predominant)	16,786	2,168	4,961	1,885	1,882	984	1,808	1,572	895	631
4719	Other retail sale in non-specialised stores (non-foodstuff	7,242	1,865	2,394	417	739	318	770	360	198	181
4721 & 4722	predominant) Retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores	5,800	581	1,594	567	829	329	623	559	360	358
473	Retail sale of automotive fuel	175	19	61	13	22	10	19	16	8	7
47592 & 47599	Retail sale of household appliances	832	221	283	44	48	25	67	74	33	37
4752	Retail of hardware, paints and glass	1,621	305	458	180	176	84	178	107	75	58
47591	Sale of furniture	367	26	127	55	22	20	46	34	17	20
4761	Bookshop	909	182	304	26	223	44	22	14	38	56
4771	Retail sale of textiles and footwear	1,680	455	526	90	168	79	103	106	48	105
4772	Retail sale of pharmaceutical goods	425	77	179	29	24	20	31	34	16	15
47732	Jewellers shop	265	55	81	23	55	9	22	7	-	13
4751, 4752, 4762- 4764, 47731 & 47733-47739	Retail sale in specialised stores	2,610	408	736	234	246	143	330	256	134	123
	Retail sale of second-hand goods in stores	16	6	4	3	1	-	-	2	-	-
47811, 47813, 47816, 47821 & 47891	Retail at market place and fairs	13,919	1,744	4,555	1,497	2,276	916	1,603	772	209	347
	Retail sale along the road, via mail order houses/internet, other retail sale not in stores, stalls and market	6,923	1,310	644	963	858	344	1,006	796	473	529

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Table 7.3 - Business activities¹ by type and district for industry group 'Accommodation and food service activities' as at December 2012²

	Number										
NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	10,542	1,235	2,350	1,364	1,521	636	1,379	880	429	748
551, 552 & 559	Accommodation	905	51	215	104	188	18	83	68	21	157
561	Restaurants and mobile food service activities	7,434	1,015	1,636	966	1,016	465	976	577	275	508
56301	Bars	1,424	88	286	146	187	112	237	207	115	46
5621, 5629 & 56302 56309	Event catering and other food service activities	779	81	213	148	130	41	83	28	18	37

Table 7.4 - Business activities by type and district for industry group 'Transport, warehousing, postal activities and telecommunications' as at December 2012²

											Numbe
NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	23,448	4,061	5,540	3,159	3,288	1,289	2,911	1,518	956	726
49211, 49223 & 49224	Bus transport	1,885	283	661	182	183	127	183	176	86	4
49221	Taxi car	6,905	1,127	1,673	583	809	248	1,431	523	249	262
491, 49219, 49222- 49229, 50 & 51	Other passenger land, water and air transport	4,529	415	1,311	591	521	232	610	342	202	305
4923	Freight transport by road	9,573	1,939	1,764	1,776	1,769	676	683	424	416	126
52	Warehousing and support activities for transportation	549	293	130	27	6	6	4	52	3	28
	Postal courier activities and telecommunications	7	4	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Table 7.5 - Business activities¹ by type and district for industry group 'Financial and Insurance Activities; Real estate; Information and Communication activities; Professional, Scientific & Technical activities and Administrative and Support Activities as at December 2012²

	Professional, Scientific & Technical activities and Administrative and Support Activities as at December 2012 ² Number						Number				
NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	10,045	3,312	2,735	771	857	756	470	394	179	571
62 & 63	Information and Communication	503	118	187	36	46	19	27	34	8	28
64	Financial service activities except insurance & pension funding	291	52	91	17	35	20	19	35	14	8
65	Insurance and pension funding except compulsory social security	163	56	38	4	10	7	26	7	9	6
66	Activities auxiliary to financial service and insurance activities	168	52	26	17	18	5	23	14	2	11
68	Real estate activities	636	105	183	58	110	44	43	21	12	60
69101	Attorney	158	156	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
69102	Notary	63	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
69103	Barrister	540	540	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6920	Accounting and tax consultancy	102	45	30	7	7	5	2	2	2	2
70	Business and management consultancy activities	701	258	207	43	44	55	45	15	8	26
71101	Architect	135	33	71	7	7	8	2	2	1	4
71102	Engineer	45	10	25	2	1	2	-	3	-	2
71103	Quantity and land surveyors	54	28	20	2	-	1	2	1	-	-
71200	Motor surveyors	114	49	33	7	6	5	5	2	-	7
731	Advertising	132	43	48	17	12	5	2	-	-	5
73200	Market research and public opinion polling	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Business activities, n.e.c	730	129	271	55	42	112	30	31	10	50
749 77	Renting and leasing activities	4,631	1,311	1,220	429	438	429	203	194	95	312
78	Employment activities	14	1	7	2	2	1	1	-	-	-
79	Travel agency, tour operator, reservation service and related activities	360	96	96	35	58	16	15	10	6	28
	Security services to buildings, land scape activities, office administrative and other business support activities	501	164	181	33	21	22	25	23	12	20

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Table 7.6 - Business activities¹ by type and district for industry group 'Education; Human health and social work; Arts, entertainment & recreation and Other service activities' as at December 2012²

NSIC Rev.2	Activity	All districts	Port Louis	Plaines Wilhems	Pample- mousses	Riv-du- Rempart	Moka	Flacq	Grand Port	Savanne	Black River
	Total	10,698	1,430	3,623	888	820	570	1,241	984	715	427
85101	Pre-Primary	756	96	229	82	71	37	95	73	44	29
85102	Primary	84	11	30	8	5	6	10	5	3	6
85210	Secondary	104	19	46	7	7	7	6	7	3	2
85220	Vocational training centre	485	118	234	27	21	29	22	10	7	17
853	Higher education	58	11	36	2	1	4	4	-	-	-
854-855	Adult & other education	161	28	64	12	6	14	13	13	6	5
86201-86202	Medical practioner	1,105	120	624	95	57	42	86	42	28	11
86203	Dentist	303	22	147	39	19	18	37	5	12	4
86209, 869, 87 & 88	Other human health and social work activities	266	28	128	31	24	15	7	12	4	17
90, 91,92 & 93	Arts, entertainment and recreation	3,024	320	531	157	162	205	554	518	457	120
94	Activities of membership organisations n.e.c	59	6	23	6	17	-	-	2	-	5
	Other service activities	4,293	651	1,531	422	430	193	407	297	151	211

¹ Activities which are both licensed and registered have been classified under 'Registrations' only to avoid double counting.

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Technical Notes

1. Coverage

Statistics published in this report pertain only to activities that are either licensed or registered in the Island of Mauritius. They exclude agricultural-related activities, except those in the manufacture of food products.

2. Definitions

Licences

Statistics on licences relate to the number of licences as delivered by the local authorities. By law an operator is required to obtain a licence from the Municipal or District Councils.

Registrations

Statistics on registrations are those as registered with the appropriate Ministries or organisations (e.g. Ministry of Education and Human Resources, the Medical Council, the National Transport Authority, the Tourism Authority, etc.) in order to operate.

Holders of both licence and registration certificates

In some cases, an operator may hold both a licence and a registration certificate. To avoid double counting, while compiling statistics on both licences and registrations, such activities have been accounted for in registration only. For example, the owner of a bus, besides registering his vehicle with the National Transport Authority may also hold a licence issued by a local authority. In the table giving figures for both licences and registrations, the activity of the bus owner is accounted for in registration only.

3. Classification used

To cater for the wide range and diverse business activities each activity has been assigned an activity code according to the National Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 2 (NSIC 2), which is an adapted version of the International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities (ISIC), Rev. 4 of 2007.

NSIC 2 consists of 5 levels of classification namely:

Level 1: Section	(21 sections) identified by the letters A to U
Level 2: Division	(88 divisions) identified by the first 2 digits
Level 3: Group	(238 groups) identified by the first 3 digits
Level 4: Classes	(419 classes) identified by the first 4 digits
Level 5: Sub class	(804 sub classes) identified by the 5 digits

The 21 new sections are as follows:

Section	Description	Division
A	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	01-03
В	Mining and quarrying	05-09
C	Manufacturing	10-33
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	35
E	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	36-39
F	Construction	41-43
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and Motorcycles	45-47
Н	Transportation and storage	49-53
I	Accommodation and food service activities	55-56
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- Board of Investment (Freeport companies)
- Financial Services Commission (Offshore Companies)
- The Police Department (Driving schools)
- Tourism Authority
- Beach Authority