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Agriculture, forestry and fishing

Crop and animal production (including farming, horticulture, viticulture, and hunting and trapping, as well as aspects of animal health and welfare). Forestry and logging (including silviculture (forest management), logging and coppicing). Fishing (including both fresh water and marine fishing). Aquaculture (the farming of freshwater and marine plants and animals). Also includes support services to these industries (such as agricultural consultants) and plant propagation. Veterinary activities (includes veterinary surgeons and veterinary nurses as well as any other auxiliary personnel for farm animals and domestic pets)

Care

All those working in early years, children and young people's services, and those working in social work and care for children and adults.

Construction, building services engineering and planning

Encompasses all business activities related to the planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the built environment, from construction contracting firms to professional consultancies, and their workforces of skilled trades through to building professionals.

Creative media and entertainment

Covers activities related to publishing, motion pictures, programming and broadcasting, advertising and market research, creative arts and entertainment, libraries, archives, and museums, etc. Also includes other professional scientific and technical activities relating to media and entertainment (NB: includes design, photographic, translation etc.)

Education

Covers all aspects of the education sector from pre-primary, primary and secondary schools to areas of post-16 education (NB: libraries, archives, records and information management services are **NOT** included). Includes technical and vocational secondary education (including further education colleges), post-secondary, non-tertiary education (includes higher education delivered within further education), first degree level higher education, post graduate level higher education, sports and recreation education, cultural education, driving school activities, educational support services, and other education not elsewhere classified. Also includes community learning and development (adult and community learning, community development, community education, development education, employability initiatives, working with parents and youth work, work based learning (which covers public, private and third sector trainers providing any and all work-related learning), and career guidance (includes all national and regional publicly funded agencies).

Energy production and utilities

Those activities that take place within companies operating in the mining of coal and lignite, the extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas, the mining of natural ores, other mining and quarrying and mining support activities as well as electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply, water collection, treatment and supply, sewerage, waste collection, treatment and disposal, and remediation activities and other waste management services.

Health

All hospital activities, medical nursing home activities, general and specialist medical practice activities, dental practice activities as well as other human Health activities in both public and private sectors. Includes both primary care (GPs, NHS Walk-in centres, and Out-of-Hours Emergency care) and secondary care (Ambulance trusts, NHS Trusts/Foundation Trusts/Independent Sector hospitals, Mental Health Trusts and Care Trusts). Also includes family planning and pregnancy services, health clinics, complementary medicine, allied health professional services, mental health services, and diagnostic services.

Hospitality, tourism and sport

Includes establishments in accommodation, food and beverage services, travel agencies, tour operators, etc. Also includes gambling and betting, sports activities and amusement and recreation activities.

Information and communication technologies

This sector covers telecommunications (comprising wired, wireless, satellite and other telecommunications activities), computer programming, consultancy and related activities (comprising computer programming and consultancy activities, computer facilities management and other information technology and computed service activities), Information Service Activities (covering data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals; news agency activities and other information service activities), Repair of computers and other goods (includes repair of: computers and peripheral equipment; communication equipment; consumer electronics; household appliances and home and garden equipment; footwear and leather goods; furniture and home furnishings; watches clocks and jewellery; and repair of other personal and household goods).

Real estate and facilities management

Covers real estate activities (including Buying and selling of own real estate, Renting and operating of own or leased real estate, Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis, Real estate agencies, and Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis), Security and investigation activities (including Private security activities, Security systems service activities, and Investigation activities), and Services to buildings and landscapes (including Combined facilities support activities, Cleaning activities, General cleaning of buildings, Other building and industrial cleaning activities, Other cleaning services, and Landscape service activities).

Transport and storage

Covers Land transport and transport via pipelines, Water transport, Air transport, Warehousing and support activities for transportation, and Postal and courier activities.

Wholesale and retail trade

Covers activities relating to retailing (includes Retail sales in non-specialised stores, Retail sales in specialised stores (including Hair and Beauty), Retail sales of pharmaceutical goods, Retail sales of new goods in specialised stores, Retail sales of secondhand goods, and Retail sales not in store), activities relating to wholesaling (Wholesale on a fee or contract basis, Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals, Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco, Wholesale of household goods, Wholesale of information and communication equipment, Wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies, Other specialised wholesale, and Non-specialised wholesale trade), and activities relating to automotive sales and services (Retail sales of motor vehicles, Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles, Wholesale and retail sales of motor vehicle parts and accessories, Retail sale, maintenance and repair of motorcycles and related parts and accessories, and the renting and leasing of motor vehicles and trucks).

[Financial, insurance & other professional services](#)

Covers Financial and insurance activities (including monetary intermediation, activities of holding companies, trust, funds and similar Financial entities, Insurance, reinsurance and pension funding, and Activities auxiliary to Financial services and insurance activities) and Professional, scientific and technical activities (including Legal and accounting activities, and Head offices and management consultancy).

[Government](#)

Covers Public administration and defence, compulsory social security, Activities of membership organisations, and Activities of extraterritorial organisations and bodies.

[Manufacturing](#)

Manufacture of food products, beverages, tobacco products, textiles, wearing apparel, leather and related goods, wood and wood products, paper and paper products. Printing and reproduction of recorded media. Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products, chemicals and chemical products, basic pharmaceutical products, rubber and plastic products, other non-metallic products, basic metals, fabricated metal products, and computer, electronic and optical products. Manufacture of electrical equipment, machinery and equipment nec, motor vehicles, other transport equipment, furniture, and other manufacture. Repair and installation of machinery and equipment, and scientific research and development