

**Table 8.1: Number of Wholesale, Retail Trade and Industrial Licenses Issued, (2019-2023)**

(Number)

Details	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Micro & retail trade licences issued	3073	3191	3523	1140	142
Micro & retail trade licences in operation	817	927	698	922	740
Wholesale trade licences issued	116	124	113	52	11
Wholesale trade licences in operation	66	73	43	39	42
Services licences issued	1315	1392	1541	1089	173
Services licences in operation	624	687	507	886	930
Manufacturing licenses issued	162	168	228	156	19
Manufacturing licenses in operation	111	117	111	96	127

Source: Regional Trade Office

Table 8.2: Number of Industrial Licenses Issued by Sector, (2019-2023)

(Number)

Sector	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Production</b>					
New registration	18	6	83	45	19
Existing establishments	132	138	111	96	127
<b>Services</b>					
New registration	128	77	106	588	173
Existing establishments	665	728	507	886	934
<b>Contract</b>					
New registration	22	20	13	12	8
Existing establishments	119	138	101	67	67

Source: Regional Trade Office

Table 8.3: Number of Industries and Firms by Type and Size, (2019-2023)

Details	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Industries by type (number)</b>					
Agro based	23	20	24	38	18
Forestry based	43	40	43	42	66
Mineral based	20	17	24	29	24
Services	665	689	507	1089	934
Contract	90	98	101	97	67
Others	22	24	425	1213	1016
<b>Industries by scale (number)</b>					
Large	13	11	22	11	22
Medium	8	11	31	24	24
Small	36	36	401	844	723
Cottage	72	65	262	474	341
<b>Contract firms (number)</b>					
Large	26	8	8	2	8
Medium	23	14	16	4	13
Small	90	98	77	98	67

Source: Regional Trade Office

Table 8.4: Number of Tourist Arrivals and Hotels, (2019- 2023)

Details	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Tourist Arrivals	1721	190	0	NA	720
Hotels	996	1141	36	30	29
Restaurants			113	626	737

Source: Tourism Council of Bhutan & Regional Trade Office