

Topic: NAICS Business Codes

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Jurisdiction: California

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Manitoba	
Corporations Canada	
Alabama	
Alaska	
Arizona	
Arkansas	
California	
Colorado	
Connecticut	
Delaware	
District of Columbia	
Florida	
Georgia	
Hawaii	Hawaii does not use NAICS Business Codes or Descriptions.
Idaho	
Illinois	

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<b>Indiana</b>	<p>In Indiana, the NAICS codes are collected by Department of Revenue and Department of Workforce Development from within the INBiz portal. Businesses self-identify or modify the codes associated with a business from INBiz, but the identifications are not currently part of Secretary of State filings.</p> <p>We have considered the integration of NAICS codes across agencies, but have not yet implemented. Currently if you were to look up a business record using the SOS search, you would not find information related to NAICS codes.</p>
<b>Iowa</b>	<p>Iowa does not use NAICS codes.</p>
<b>Kansas</b>	
<b>Kentucky</b>	
<b>Louisiana</b>	<p>In Louisiana when filing a new entity online on our geauxbiz portal, the NAICS Code is collected for and used by the Department of Revenue. This code is not currently part of the Louisiana Secretary of State filings. A customer can choose multiple codes for Revenue, but only 1 will populate into their information in our system that we can see ?in-house?, but it is not available to the public. I believe there may be some thought about adding to Legislation in the future to collect this for use by our office, but again, at present we do not use it.</p> <p>The only other time, besides at Original submission, that they can enter a NAICS Code, is when filing an Annual Report online. We do get a lot of requests to change or update their code, which we will do if they have entered at one of those 2 times. We do tell them to contact the Department of Revenue directly to report the change, as we do not pass the update on.</p>
<b>Maine</b>	
<b>Maryland</b>	<p>Maryland doesn't require any Business Codes on formation filings, but two years ago did begin including that as an optional field on our Annual Reports. Similar to California, we figured this was a step towards using this information in some way in the future, although we still don't have any definite plans for making it a required field or using it in some other way.</p>
<b>Massachusetts</b>	<p>Massachusetts does not use the NAICS Business Codes.</p>
<b>Michigan</b>	<p>Michigan does not collect or use NAICS codes.</p>

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<b>Minnesota</b>	<p>Minnesota uses an abbreviated set of NAICS codes in our Minnesota Business Snapshot, a voluntary survey that hundreds of thousands of businesses have completed.</p> <p>See: <a href="https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sos.state.mn.us%2Fbusiness-liens%2Fbusiness-liens-data%2Fminnesota-business-snapshot-data%2F&amp;data=02%7C01%7Cpviverto%40azsos.gov%7C5d6fbcde37404065b2f208d849dba05c%7Cb4494a03f26d475dba4139871e763531%7C1%7C0%7C637340554940679004&amp;amp;sdata=1694I9W3iVq8q07Pm152b4ToF0J9GIhXV1abvwDBpQs%3D&amp;reserved=0">https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sos.state.mn.us%2Fbusiness-liens%2Fbusiness-liens-data%2Fminnesota-business-snapshot-data%2F&amp;data=02%7C01%7Cpviverto%40azsos.gov%7C5d6fbcde37404065b2f208d849dba05c%7Cb4494a03f26d475dba4139871e763531%7C1%7C0%7C637340554940679004&amp;amp;sdata=1694I9W3iVq8q07Pm152b4ToF0J9GIhXV1abvwDBpQs%3D&amp;reserved=0</a></p> <p>You might like to see our current MBS results - see the attachment.</p> <p>We also have regional and quarterly business reports, at:  <a href="https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sos.state.mn.us%2Fbusiness-liens%2Feconomic-and-business-condition-reports%2F&amp;data=02%7C01%7Cpviverto%40azsos.gov%7C38925f47f01e4a63ed0d08d84aa4f08e%7Cb4494a03f26d475dba4139871e763531%7C1%7C0%7C637341421713036311&amp;amp;sdata=%2BkQ%2FKeYX5Ou3oSvC5o4tUwEXF5oZcXFqv%2Bn9sCwDhM4%3D&amp;reserved=0">https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sos.state.mn.us%2Fbusiness-liens%2Feconomic-and-business-condition-reports%2F&amp;data=02%7C01%7Cpviverto%40azsos.gov%7C38925f47f01e4a63ed0d08d84aa4f08e%7Cb4494a03f26d475dba4139871e763531%7C1%7C0%7C637341421713036311&amp;amp;sdata=%2BkQ%2FKeYX5Ou3oSvC5o4tUwEXF5oZcXFqv%2Bn9sCwDhM4%3D&amp;reserved=0</a></p>
<b>Mississippi</b>	<p>MS requires the 6 digit NAICS Code to be entered during the formation &amp; registration filing process. Only one code is required to process the filing, however customers are allowed to enter up to three codes. These codes can be amended on the Annual Report filing. This information is made available in the Mississippi Business Reports. This free service allows anyone to conduct a customized search of the Mississippi Secretary of State's corporations database and export their results as a printable Excel report. The database includes all current registered businesses in Mississippi.</p>
<b>Missouri</b>	
<b>Montana</b>	
<b>Nebraska</b>	
<b>Nevada</b>	<p>Nevada does allow a business to select a NAICS Code in their company profile when registering with our business portal, SilverFlume. It is optional and it doesn't reflect in the public search.</p>

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<b>New Hampshire</b>	<p>When filing a new business formation or foreign registration online, our Quickstart portal prompts the user to select the appropriate 5-digit NAICS code as the response to the primary business purpose to be conducted. They may select more than one if they so choose. The user has the option of selecting OTHER, and typing free text to explain their purposes in lieu of choosing a NAICS code. For paper filings, the free text option is used by staff to capture the business purpose, and no NAICS codes are captured unless listed by the applicant on the paper form.</p> <p>A significant downside to this approach is that most domestic entities that wish to change/update their NAICS code must file an amendment. We allow foreign entities, however, to make an NAICS code change free of charge online or by email.</p> <p>We believe this information does add value for the public and our bulk data purchasers, but these fields are not currently searchable on our website.</p>
<b>New Jersey</b>	
<b>New Mexico</b>	
<b>New York</b>	
<b>North Carolina</b>	
<b>North Dakota</b>	
<b>Ohio</b>	<p>Ohio is not using NAICS codes yet, but discussing adding this to our optional survey for gathering additional business information, so I appreciate this question!</p>
<b>Oklahoma</b>	
<b>Oregon</b>	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<p>Rhode Island has collected 6-digit NAICS code information through annual reports for several years. The NAICS code is a required field. We use that data heavily in our RI Business Data Hub!</p>
<b>South Carolina</b>	
<b>South Dakota</b>	<p>South Dakota does not use the NAICS Business Codes.</p>
<b>Tennessee</b>	

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<b>Texas</b>	
<b>Utah</b>	<p>Utah online applications require a business purpose to file a new entity. Customers select their business purpose from a drop down menu which will convert to a NAICS code based on their selections. They also have the option of selecting a "Non-classifiable establishment - any legal purpose" option to bypass the requirement.</p>
<b>Vermont</b>	
<b>Virginia</b>	
<b>Washington</b>	<p>In Washington State we have an open text section for "nature of business" but we are not using NAICS codes for the legal entity. Nature of business asks for a brief description of the business activity and anything is acceptable.</p> <p>As a whole, the state uses NAICS codes in a really inconsistent way and it goes agency by agency. For example, DOR will use NAICS according to the revenue generating activities, Employment Security will use it related to the number/type of employees, etc....</p>
<b>West Virginia</b>	
<b>Wisconsin</b>	
<b>Wyoming</b>	

**Additional comments:**

**Full text of email:**

I hope you are all doing well. My schedule does not allow me to attend the meeting today. I do have a question for all of you.

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Stay safe.

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