

## Company Information by Country

The table provided below suggests the kinds of information you can expect to find for private companies, not-for-profits and government organisations, looking at the reporting requirements for each company type for the countries listed. You should always search for them in the Databases that this guide has discussed, just in case. However, if you cannot find any information, this table gives you some other suggestions. Good luck!

Country	Private Companies	Not-for-profit (NFPs)	Government-owned
Australia	Large private companies based in Australia are required to lodge information with <a href="#">ASIC</a> , however this information is not made freely available to the public (you can pay for a report). It is also up to the company to classify themselves as large, which they may choose not to do.	Registered NFPs in Australia are required to register with the <a href="#">Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission</a> (ACNC). You can search the website for Annual Financial Reports and Information Statements. Note, NFPs can, in some circumstances, ask the ACNC to keep this information private.	Company Reports for Australian State and Federal Government-owned Organisations such as Western Power and Centrelink can be found on the IBISWorld Database. Further information is available on webpages for the Organisations and through Freedom of Information (FOI) requests.
United Kingdom	All UK Private Companies are required to submit financial information, as well as Directors' and Auditors' reports to <a href="#">Companies House</a> . Much of this information is available freely through the website.	All NFP's or Charities in the UK are required to register and submit annual reports with <a href="#">The Charity Commission</a> . You can <a href="#">search the site</a> for reports, with further information made available through <a href="#">Companies House</a> .	You should find annual reports on the organisation's website. Sometimes the websites might be difficult to navigate, so you can always search for them through Google: e.g. "NHS Annual Report."
United States	Private companies operating in the US are not required to submit any information to a regulatory body. Try the company's website and databases like Factiva for media information.	There is no central body in the US that collects and makes available information about NFPs to the public. The Federal Trade Commission <a href="#">recommends a number of sites</a> for gaining information about NFPs.	You can find Annual Reports and Financial Statements for US Government-owned organisations like Amtrak on the organisation's website.
China	All private companies, except for sole proprietorships, are required to file account information in China with the <a href="#">National Tax Bureau</a> and the <a href="#">National Bureau of Statistics</a> . However, the vast majority of companies are sole proprietorships, and the two bodies mentioned above do not provide information publically, so you may find it difficult to identify information. Again, try company websites or the media.	In China, NFPs are more commonly known as Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) or Social Organisations. They are strictly controlled by the government, but it does not seem that information is made available to the public.	Check the organisation's website for Annual Reports and Financial Statements – though not all are provided in English! Google searching is probably the best idea as navigation can be difficult.

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Germany	<p>Similar reporting requirements to the UK, with companies over a certain size required to submit financial details. Search the <a href="#">Handelsregister</a> for information (you will need to create an account in order to open reports), keep in mind some of the information may only be available in German.</p> <p>Further information may be found in the <b>Orbis</b> database.</p>	<p>NFPs in Germany are categorised as either <i>Verein</i> (Associations), <i>Stiftung</i> (Foundations) or <i>Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung</i>, or <i>GmbH</i> (limited liability companies) and the degree to which their activities must be reported vary depending on their classification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Verein</i> do not have to file Annual Reports or submit financial statements. They operate with limited state supervision.</li> <li>• <i>Stiftungen</i> are obliged to file Annual Reports with one of 16 State Supervisory Authorities (essentially regional bureaus). This information does not tend to be available in English.</li> <li>• <i>GmbH</i> annual reports should be available on the company's websites.</li> </ul>	<p>Like government-owned organisations in other countries, you can find Annual Reports for companies like Flughafen Berlin Brandenburg and KfW on the organisation's website. Usually these documents are produced in German and English.</p>
Russia	<p>With the exclusion of banks, insurance companies and companies run by sole entrepreneurs, Private Companies in Russia must file information with the central <a href="#">Statistical Committee</a>, run by the Ministry of Finance. This information is not made available to the public.</p>	<p>Non-Commercial Organisations (NCOs) operating in Russia that receive foreign contributions or whose income exceeds 3m Roubles, must publish annual reports no later than the 15 April each year. The reports are available through the <a href="#">Ministry of Justice</a> website, but, unfortunately, the site is only available in Russian.</p>	<p>Annual reports and other financial statements are available for Russian Government-owned organisations (like Aeroflot and the Novorossiysk Commercial Sea Port) through their websites.</p> <p>Luckily the information is usually also available in English.</p>
India	<p>Private companies based in India are required to report to the <a href="#">Registrar of Companies</a>, however many are not compliant with these rules. You can also search the Orbis database which does contain information for some Indian companies.</p>	<p>NFP's (more commonly referred to as NGOs) in India are only required to make Annual Reports available through the <a href="#">Home Ministry</a> if they accept foreign contributions. These reports are not necessarily made available to the public.</p>	<p>You can find Annual Reports and other financial information for Indian Government-owned organisations (like Air India and the Bank of India) through the organisation's website.</p>

