

1. COMPANY LIQUIDATIONS* IN ENGLAND AND WALES

		Not Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
Years		Total	Compulsory Liquidations	Creditors' Voluntary Liquidations	Total	Compulsory Liquidations	Creditors' Voluntary Liquidations
1998		13,203	5,216	7,987			
1999		14,280	5,209	9,071			
2000		14,317	4,925	9,392			
2001		14,972	4,675	10,297			
2002		16,306 a	6,231 a	10,075			
2003		14,184	5,234	8,950			
2004		12,192	4,584	7,608			
2005		12,893	5,233	7,660			
1998	Q1	3,265	1,333	1,932	3,123	1,289	1,834
	Q2	3,251	1,312	1,939	3,291	1,250	2,041
	Q3	3,323	1,275	2,048	3,373	1,339	2,035
	Q4	3,364	1,296	2,068	3,416	1,338	2,078
1999	Q1	3,912	1,379	2,533	3,741	1,334	2,407
	Q2	3,590	1,294	2,296	3,653	1,234	2,420
	Q3	3,376	1,240	2,136	3,428	1,303	2,125
	Q4	3,402	1,296	2,106	3,458	1,339	2,119
2000	Q1	3,637	1,210	2,427	3,522	1,178	2,344
	Q2	3,370	1,300	2,070	3,431	1,242	2,189
	Q3	3,709	1,231	2,478	3,775	1,306	2,469
	Q4	3,601	1,184	2,417	3,589	1,198	2,391
2001	Q1	3,943	1,359	2,584	3,831	1,315	2,516
	Q2	3,684	1,348	2,336	3,744	1,301	2,443
	Q3	3,640	940	2,700	3,699	1,009	2,690
	Q4	3,705	1,028	2,677	3,698	1,051	2,647
2002	Q1	4,141	1,408	2,733	3,992	1,363	2,629
	Q2	4,066	1,679	2,387	4,117	1,614	2,502
	Q3	3,808 a	1,390 a	2,418	3,899 a	1,477 a	2,422
	Q4	4,291	1,754	2,537	4,298	1,777	2,521
2003	Q1	3,797	1,585	2,212	3,672 r	1,543 r	2,129 r
	Q2	3,767	1,470	2,297	3,795 r	1,421 r	2,374 r
	Q3	3,314	1,075	2,239	3,380 r	1,131 r	2,249 r
	Q4	3,306	1,104	2,202	3,337 r	1,138 r	2,199 r
2004	Q1	3,248	1,208	2,040	3,140 r	1,176 r	1,964 r
	Q2	3,108	1,197	1,911	3,130 r	1,153 r	1,977 r
	Q3	2,900	1,061	1,839	2,959 r	1,110 r	1,850 r
	Q4	2,936	1,118	1,818	2,963 r	1,146 r	1,818 r
2005	Q1	3,010	1,101	1,909	2,940 r	1,103 r	1,837 r
	Q2	3,407	1,422	1,985	3,375 r	1,324 r	2,052 r
	Q3	3,306	1,454	1,852	3,380 r	1,520 r	1,860 r
	Q4	3,170	1,256	1,914	3,198 r	1,287 r	1,911 r
2006	Q1 p	3,564	1,473	2,091	3,439	1,428	2,011
Percentage change, latest qtr on corresponding qtr of previous year							
2006	Q1 p	18.4	33.8	9.5	17.0	29.5	9.5

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2. INDIVIDUAL INSOLVENCIES IN ENGLAND AND WALES

		Not Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
Years		Total	Bankruptcy Orders	Individual Voluntary Arrangements *	Total	Bankruptcy Orders	Individual Voluntary Arrangements *
1998		24,549	19,647	4,902			
1999		28,806	21,611	7,195			
2000		29,528	21,550	7,978			
2001		29,775	23,477	6,298			
2002		30,587	24,292	6,295			
2003		35,604	28,021	7,583			
2004		46,650	35,898	10,752			
2005		67,584 a	47,291 a	20,293			
1998	Q1	5,953	4,938	1,015	5,746	4,697	1,049
	Q2	5,855	4,755	1,100	5,776	4,676	1,100
	Q3	6,380	5,113	1,267	6,306	5,075	1,231
	Q4	6,361	4,841	1,520	6,721	5,199	1,522
1999	Q1	7,025	5,799	1,226	6,785	5,511	1,275
	Q2	7,120	5,527	1,593	7,042	5,441	1,601
	Q3	7,592	5,365	2,227	7,503	5,334	2,169
	Q4	7,069	4,920	2,149	7,476	5,326	2,150
2000	Q1	7,837	5,667	2,170	7,612	5,361	2,251
	Q2	7,532	5,414	2,118	7,440	5,326	2,114
	Q3	7,316	5,451	1,865	7,200	5,393	1,808
	Q4	6,843	5,018	1,825	7,276	5,471	1,805
2001	Q1	7,750	6,078	1,672	7,480	5,741	1,739
	Q2	7,714	6,115	1,599	7,594	6,001	1,593
	Q3	7,434	5,817	1,617	7,308	5,751	1,557
	Q4	6,877	5,467	1,410	7,393	5,985	1,409
2002	Q1	7,411	6,027	1,384	7,280	5,836	1,444
	Q2	7,861	6,269	1,592	7,592	6,002	1,590
	Q3	7,892	6,249	1,643	7,772	6,177	1,595
	Q4	7,423	5,747	1,676	7,944	6,278	1,666
2003	Q1	8,426	6,912	1,514	8,117 r	6,547 r	1,570 r
	Q2	8,889	6,948	1,941	8,699 r	6,741 r	1,958 r
	Q3	9,291	7,221	2,070	9,156 r	7,148 r	2,007 r
	Q4	8,998	6,940	2,058	9,632 r	7,584 r	2,048 r
2004	Q1	10,665	8,524	2,141	10,284 r	8,070 r	2,214 r
	Q2	11,535	9,060	2,475	11,243 r	8,750 r	2,493 r
	Q3	12,227	9,315	2,912	12,070 r	9,245 r	2,825 r
	Q4	12,223	8,999	3,224	13,053 r	9,834 r	3,220 r
2005	Q1	13,190	10,188	3,002	13,467 r	10,175 r	3,292 r
	Q2	16,873	12,338	4,535	15,645 r	11,259 r	4,386 r
	Q3	18,010	12,256	5,754	17,793 r	12,182 r	5,611 r
	Q4	19,511 a	12,509 a	7,002	20,679 r	13,675 r	7,004 r
2006	Q1 p	23,939	16,283	7,656	23,351	15,389	7,961
Percentage change, latest qtr on corresponding qtr of previous year							
2006	Q1 p	81.5	59.8	155.0	73.4	51.2	141.9

* including Deeds of Arrangement

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3. ADMINISTRATIONS, COMPANY VOLUNTARY ARRANGEMENTS AND RECEIVERSHIPS IN ENGLAND AND WALES REGISTERED AT COMPANIES HOUSE (not seasonally adjusted)

Year		Receivership Appointments*	Administrator Appointments**	In Administration (Enterprise Act 2002)**	Company Voluntary Arrangements
1998		1,713	338		470
1999		1,618	440		475
2000		1,595	438		557
2001		1,914	698		597
2002		1,541	643		651
2003		1,261	497	247	726
2004		864	1	1,601	597
2005		590	4	2,257	604
1998	Q1	516	85		54
	Q2	395	46		127
	Q3	443	105		153
	Q4	359	102		136
1999	Q1	419	193		106
	Q2	397	81		128
	Q3	375	64		120
	Q4	427	102		121
2000	Q1	454	89		124
	Q2	429	135		160
	Q3	355	101		121
	Q4	357	113		152
2001	Q1	649	125		132
	Q2	435	141		163
	Q3	369	146		141
	Q4	461	286		161
2002	Q1	455	176		151
	Q2	346	151		151
	Q3	377	162		181
	Q4	363	154		168
2003	Q1	315	160		178
	Q2	298	167		165
	Q3	334	154	14	171
	Q4	314	16	233	212
2004	Q1	224	1	331	176
	Q2	199	0	392	154
	Q3	203	0	421	137
	Q4	238	0	457	130
2005	Q1	114	0	489	179
	Q2	167	4	568	183
	Q3	170	0	620	130
	Q4	139	0	580	112
2006	Q1 p	180	0	753	124

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*Includes administrative receiverships and others, for example under the Law of Property Act 1925

** See paragraph 8 of the Press Release "Notes to Editors" for changes wef 15 September 2003 under the Enterprise Act 2002

4. COMPANY LIQUIDATIONS* IN ENGLAND AND WALES - INDUSTRIAL ANALYSIS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

INDUSTRY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2004	2005	Q2	Q3	Q4
									Q4	Q1			
<i>AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE</i>	65	75	67	90	76	52	35	35	8	7	8	9	11
<i>MANUFACTURING</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	89	67	104	71	61	69	38	43	6	11	9	12	11
Chemicals	57	35	61	37	46	30	21	34	7	8	11	12	3
Metals and engineering	594	698	683	704	739	828	630	591	129	147	149	153	142
Textiles and clothing	526	419	423	320	304	244	168	172	30	43	42	50	37
Timber and furniture	149	190	187	199	179	92	69	85	16	17	23	25	20
Paper, printing and publishing	426	387	386	484	545	376	291	253	60	59	68	59	67
Other	652	780	678	717	768	430	379	441	81	97	120	136	88
TOTAL	2,493	2,576	2,522	2,532	2,642	2,069	1,596	1,619	329	382	422	447	368
<i>CONSTRUCTION AND TRANSPORT</i>													
Construction	1,325	1,529	1,474	1,509	1,840	1,728	1,653	1,775	413	429	453	440	453
Transport and Communication	504	443	526	481	652	694	596	624	137	153	166	152	153
TOTAL	1,829	1,972	2,000	1,990	2,492	2,422	2,249	2,399	550	582	619	592	606
<i>WHOLESALE</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	139	187	150	125	142	108	124	82	25	26	17	22	17
Motor vehicles	60	38	29	24	64	208	210	198	54	46	40	47	65
Other	364	394	391	363	512	788	486	487	110	118	141	114	114
TOTAL	563	619	570	512	718	1,104	820	767	189	190	198	183	196
<i>RETAILING</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	186	193	200	114	132	159	121	176	31	42	47	41	46
Motor vehicles and filling stations	120	142	141	172	174	59	45	59	8	19	8	13	19
Other	847	919	853	833	902	578	548	626	136	160	160	156	150
TOTAL	1,153	1,254	1,194	1,119	1,208	796	714	861	175	221	215	210	215
<i>SERVICES</i>													
Insurance	101	118	57	28	35	48	49	60	15	14	18	16	12
Other financial & business services	1,617	1,831	1,605	1,618	3,215	3,886	3,392	3,462	858	775	931	934	822
Hotels and Catering	626	562	530	538	740	566	511	584	125	132	145	148	159
TOTAL	2,344	2,511	2,192	2,184	3,990	4,500	3,952	4,106	998	921	1,094	1,098	993
<i>OTHERS</i>													
	4,756	5,273	5,772	6,545	5180a	3,241	2,826	3,106	687	707	851	767	781
TOTAL	13,203	14,280	14,317	14,972	16,306a	14,184	12,192	12,893	2,936	3,010	3,407	3,306	3,170

* including partnerships.

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5. BANKRUPTCIES IN ENGLAND AND WALES - INDUSTRIAL ANALYSIS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

INDUSTRY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2004 Q4	2005 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
SELF EMPLOYED													
<i>AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE</i>	157	183	173	183	132	151	204	195	57	51	68	39	37
<i>MANUFACTURING</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	21	17	18	10	19	14	7	15	2	5	3	4	3
Chemicals	7	4	2	2	6	2	6	2	2	0	1	0	1
Metals and engineering	378	385	306	339	257	242	376	228	109	52	62	76	38
Textiles and clothing	81	87	81	75	33	46	27	28	4	6	12	4	6
Timber and furniture	96	94	90	88	59	82	65	82	17	17	18	23	24
Paper, printing and publishing	101	112	80	75	70	58	63	67	18	19	24	15	9
Other	110	111	84	79	111	100	90	140	31	33	27	42	38
TOTAL	794	810	661	668	555	544	634	562	183	132	147	164	119
<i>CONSTRUCTION AND TRANSPORT</i>													
Construction	1,919	1,911	1,741	1,783	1,637	1,781	1,658	1,976	368	474	500	531	471
Transport and communication	1,060	1,187	1,120	1,134	1,095	1,116	1,249	1,334	305	297	391	330	316
TOTAL	2,979	3,098	2,861	2,917	2,732	2,897	2,907	3,310	673	771	891	861	787
<i>WHOLESALE</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	53	45	49	40	48	33	28	29	6	2	2	15	10
Motor vehicles	20	22	29	20	14	15	13	12	2	4	4	0	4
Other	92	83	83	61	44	47	40	40	5	11	12	7	10
TOTAL	165	150	161	121	106	95	81	81	13	17	18	22	24
<i>RETAILING</i>													
Food, drink and tobacco	514	438	424	347	311	251	280	256	70	55	77	58	66
Motor vehicles and filling stations	238	241	237	199	138	128	136	121	35	22	33	35	31
Other	971	1,032	801	792	680	609	621	772	171	162	173	233	204
TOTAL	1,723	1,711	1,462	1,338	1,129	988	1,037	1,149	276	239	283	326	301
<i>SERVICES</i>													
Insurance	79	54	45	39	31	24	28	22	7	3	9	6	4
Other financial & business services	1,057	1,162	1,127	1,107	1,057	1,023	1,242	1,416	283	338	368	385	325
Hotels and catering	1,309	1,376	1,263	1,187	1,041	1,038	951	1,125	218	202	271	278	374
TOTAL	2,445	2,592	2,435	2,333	2,129	2,085	2,221	2,563	508	543	648	669	703
<i>OTHER</i>	2,157	2,179	2,199	2,279	2,071	2,379	2,480	2,979	662	693	780	769	737
TOTAL SELF EMPLOYED	10,420	10,723	9,952	9,839	8,854	9,139	9,564	10,839	2,372	2,446	2,835	2,850	2,708
OTHER INDIVIDUALS													
Employees	3,141	4,357	4,601	5,525	5,900	7,101	9,528	13,626	2,446	2,774	3,449	3,623	3,780
No occupation and unemployed	3,384	4,457	4,856	5,848	6,965	8,978	12,643	17,105	3,056	3,681	4,304	4,532	4,588
Directors & promoters of companies	272	330	296	328	323	420	458	503	125	113	137	97	156
Occupation unknown	2,430	1,744	1,845	1,937	2,250	2,383	3,705	5,218	1,000	1,174	1,613	1,154	1,277
TOTAL OTHER INDIVIDUALS	9,227	10,888	11,598	13,638	15,438	18,882	26,334	36,452	6,627	7,742	9,503	9,406	9,801
TOTAL BANKRUPTCIES	19,647	21,611	21,550	23,477	24,292	28,021	35,898	47,291	8,999	10,188	12,338	12,256	12,509

6. INSOLVENCIES IN SCOTLAND (not seasonally adjusted)

Years	Individuals		Companies		
	Sequestrations	Total	Compulsory Liquidations	Creditors' Voluntary Liquidations	
1998	3,016	566	338		228
1999	3,195	572	364		208
2000	2,965	583	344		239
2001	3,048	602	378		224
2002	3,215	788	556		232
2003	3,328	631	436		195
2004	3,297	621	431		190
2005	4,965	569	420		149
1998	Q1	702	150	79	71
	Q2	756	151	93	58
	Q3	830	124	82	42
	Q4	728	141	84	57
1999	Q1	776	153	83	70
	Q2	807	136	89	47
	Q3	842	144	98	46
	Q4	770	139	94	45
2000	Q1	751	136	75	61
	Q2	751	153	92	61
	Q3	712	139	85	54
	Q4	751	155	92	63
2001	Q1	709	166	102	64
	Q2	750	141	82	59
	Q3	839	108	75	33
	Q4	750	187	119	68
2002	Q1	832	240	170	70
	Q2	797	175	123	52
	Q3	834	184	139	45
	Q4	752	189	124	65
2003	Q1	799	183	133	50
	Q2	858	168	118	50
	Q3	845	154	109	45
	Q4	826	126	76	50
2004	Q1	720	153	95	58
	Q2	851	147	110	37
	Q3	923	168	113	55
	Q4	803	153	113	40
2005	Q1	908	140	103	37
	Q2	1,307	159	120	39
	Q3	1,461	151	115	36
	Q4	1,289	119	82	37
2006	Q1 p	1,241	128	96	32
Percentage change, latest qtr on corresponding qtr of previous year					
2006	Q1 p	36.7	-8.6	-6.8	-13.5

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The Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1993, amending the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985, came into force on 1 April 1993 and will have affected the number of sequestrations in the Scottish Courts from the second quarter of 1993 onwards.

7. COMPANY LIQUIDATIONS IN SCOTLAND - INDUSTRIAL ANALYSIS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

INDUSTRY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2005				2006
									Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1p
<i>AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>
MANUFACTURING													
Food, drink and tobacco	17	4	4	5	6	6	6	4	0	4	0	0	1
Chemicals	6	1	3	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Metals and engineering	28	15	28	20	24	20	14	16	4	5	4	3	0
Textiles and clothing	23	32	14	13	14	5	15	4	2	1	1	0	1
Timber and furniture	18	9	5	5	15	1	5	2	1	0	0	1	0
Paper, printing and publishing	15	14	6	9	15	13	8	6	0	1	2	3	0
Other	18	29	24	22	28	30	35	26	3	9	8	6	7
TOTAL	125	104	84	80	103	75	83	58	10	20	15	13	9
CONSTRUCTION AND TRANSPORT													
Construction	104	108	120	124	84	76	80	91	24	32	25	10	13
Transport and Communication	24	16	23	22	13	9	11	16	5	5	4	2	4
TOTAL	128	124	143	146	97	85	91	107	29	37	29	12	17
WHOLESALE													
Food, drink and tobacco	9	12	6	8	4	5	7	12	3	3	5	1	0
Motor vehicles	0	7	16	10	6	2	3	3	1	2	0	0	0
Other	20	16	25	24	17	18	20	18	5	4	4	5	2
TOTAL	29	35	47	42	27	25	30	33	9	9	9	6	2
RETAILING													
Food, drink and tobacco	1	8	5	2	8	2	6	9	2	5	2	0	0
Motor vehicles and filling stations	9	6	4	2	5	10	4	10	1	3	0	6	0
Other	18	34	33	24	27	31	28	34	9	10	8	7	12
TOTAL	28	48	42	28	40	43	38	53	12	18	10	13	12
SERVICES													
Insurance	6	7	4	8	4	11	4	7	0	0	6	1	1
Other financial & business services	60	54	44	88	79	59	116	69	9	12	24	24	17
Hotels and Catering	26	22	25	23	56	37	39	39	14	9	4	12	7
TOTAL	92	83	73	119	139	107	159	115	23	21	34	37	25
OTHERS	153	173	186	178	380	291	219	200	56	54	53	37	63
TOTAL	566	572	583	602	788	631	621	569	140	159	151	119	128

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8. ANNUAL RATE OF COMPANY LIQUIDATIONS (for latest 12 months) - COMPANY LIQUIDATIONS AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE NUMBER OF COMPANIES REGISTERED

		England & Wales		Scotland	
		% of Active Register	% of Total Register	% of Active Register	% of Total Register
1998	Q1	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q2	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q4	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8
1999	Q1	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.8
	Q2	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.7
	Q3	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.8
	Q4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
2000	Q1	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q2	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q3	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q4	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
2001	Q1	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q2	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
	Q3	1.1	1.0	0.7	0.7
	Q4	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.7
2002	Q1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8
	Q2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8
	Q3	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9
	Q4	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9
2003	Q1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8
	Q2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8
	Q3	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
	Q4	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6
2004	Q1	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6
	Q2	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5
	Q3	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
	Q4	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
2005	Q1	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5
	Q2	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5
	Q3	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5
	Q4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5
2006	Q1 p	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5

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Notes:

1. The total register includes companies being wound up or dormant.
2. Calculated from company liquidations in the latest twelve month period divided by the average number of companies in that period.