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### New Texas Entity Filings

	<u>2017</u>	<u> 2016</u>
For-Profit Corporations	21,939	22,404
Nonprofit Corporations	12,338	11,890
Professional Corporations	719	674
Professional Associations	432	537
Limited Liability Companies	166,589	150,266
Limited Partnerships	4,516	5,054
Limited Liability Partnerships (initial registrations)	525	624

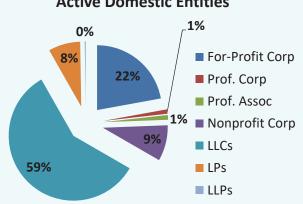


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## **SOS Census** June 1, 2018

#### **Active Domestic Entities**

For-Profit Corp	361,774
Prof. Corp	17,635
Prof. Assoc	19,444
Nonprofit Corp	145,909
LLCs	955,018
LPs	130,298
LLPs	4,375





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## **Business Entity Names**

Names 101



## Entity Name Availability Standard BOC §§ 5.053, 5.102 & 5.153

## Distinguishable In the Records

 Comparison shows enough differences to make the name available.

#### SAME

 Comparison shows no differences or the only differences do not alter the names sufficiently to make them distinguishable. Unavailable even with consent.

## Available with Consent

 Comparison reveals certain similarities and therefore is only available with consent.



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## Entity Name Standard Definitions 1 TAC §79.30(2)

"Key word" means a word or words that alters the proposed name sufficiently to make it distinguishable in the record. Key word does not include:

- an article of speech or a conjunction;
- a preposition, unless the addition, substitution or omission of the preposition alters the name sufficiently to make it distinguishable;







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