

# Consulting Dutch business data by foreign administrative bodies



## General

The Dutch Business Register ([Chamber of Commerce](#) – *Kamer van Koophandel*: KVK) is a database in which data of all companies, legal entities and other organisations registered in the Netherlands can be consulted. Foreign administrative bodies have both access to the public environment and the possibility to create an account. Without an account it is possible to consult the basic data of a company. With an account, the foreign administrative body has access (against payment) to more in-depth information. The website of the KVK can be consulted via [www.kvk.nl](http://www.kvk.nl). The Kvk-website is available in Dutch and partly in English.

## Public data

### Search criteria

On the basis of address details, the trade name or the company/branch number, access can be gained to the information below. It is not possible to search by the name of a natural person.

### Consultable data

Information about the company is provided in products mentioned below, which can be requested via the KVK by anyone, including a foreign administrative body. The

following public information can be found in these products:

- Name of the company or organization
- Contact details
- Branch data
- Staff members and authorised signatories
- Private addresses (e.g. in the case of a sole traders, (general) partnerships)
- Liquidator in the event of bankruptcy
- Number of employees

## Non-public data

### Search by name

Dutch administrative bodies designated by law (including the 'National BIBOB Bureau' '*Landelijk Bureau Bibob*' and a Dutch municipality) may search the KVK for the name of a natural person in the context of, for example, a permit application. This functionality is not available to foreign administrative bodies. It is therefore not possible for a foreign administrative body to find out via the KVK in which Dutch companies a specific person is involved.

### Non-consultable data

Certain information will not be found in the products that can be consulted by a foreign administrative body:

- Citizen Service Number (BSN), sex, place of birth, country of birth of staff members
- Private addresses of directors: a.o. in case of a public/private limited company
- Blocked private addresses (e.g. in case of a probable threat)

## Products KVK

The KVK offers various products (against payment). For most products it is necessary to [create an account](#) via the website [www.kvk.nl](http://www.kvk.nl). If a foreign administrative body has a BTW/VAT number, the foreign administrative body can create a company account. This is not necessary, but offers practical advantages for the payment and invoicing of the products.

Without an account, it is possible to request the product 'Business Register Extract' (*Uittreksel Handelsregister*) (overview of registrations including name, address and staff members). Other products can only be retrieved with an account:

- Company profile
- UBO Register Extract
- History
- Annual accounts
- Corporate relations
- Documents
- Deposits
- General terms and conditions



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Consultation fees will be charged for these products. Which product is most useful for a foreign administrative body depends on the need. For basic information, a non-authenticated extract is sufficient. For more specific information one of the other products is chosen.

The company profile gives a complete picture, this is an aggregation of several other products.

## **TRACK – Network drawing**

For a complete picture of the current and historical relationships of a legal entity, including information from other public sources, a foreign administrative body can [request a network drawing](#) from the TRACK department on justis.nl. Such a request must be made in the context of the exercise of a public law duty of this foreign administrative body in connection with preventing and combating abuse of legal persons.

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