

## **Information Released under Freedom of Information Act**

**Subject:** Request for information relating to businesses who are learning providers, job advertisers, manufactures and doctor service providers

**Date Released:** 3 August 2015

**Summary of request:** The enquirer requested information relating to businesses who are learning providers, job advertisers, manufactures and doctor service providers

### **Information Released**

Companies House produces a DVD ROM Directory, which contains basic company details on over two million limited companies at a cost of £30.

You can perform the following searches on the DVD:-

Company Name (any part of)

Company Number

Registered Office Address lines

Postcode

Date of incorporation (or ranges of dates)

SIC Description

SIC (92) Codes (Standard Industrial Classification).

You cannot search by SIC Codes for companies incorporated within the last 12 months as we are not informed of the SIC Codes until the company files its first annual return, which is usually 12 months after incorporation.

Up to 6 combinations of these options can be used in any search.

The business activities will be categorised using the Standard Industrial Classification code (SIC). A search of the DVD can be made using the specific SIC code for the category of limited company required. You can access the list of company SIC codes via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/standard-industrial-classification-of-economic-activities-sic>

You may or may not be aware that Companies House provides a Free Public Data Product. You could perform some analysis of this information as it contains the SIC code for various company types. I have inserted a link to this free data product for your information:

[http://download.companieshouse.gov.uk/en\\_output.html](http://download.companieshouse.gov.uk/en_output.html)

You can also view the details of a limited company via the beta service on the Gov.uk website. Contained in the incorporation documents are the details for the registered office, directors, shareholders and the agents details on the statement of compliance.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/launch-of-the-new-companies-house-public-beta-service>

I have not provided you with a copy of the information you have requested as under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 any information that is reasonably accessible to the applicant, is exempt information under the Act.