

## Added value of our data

### The Commerce Registry in Spain



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## How the data from Commerce Registries can support the policy makers

### BUSINESS REGISTER IN SPAIN

- Legal and public Institution
- Reliability and certainty

### MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Registration of operations related to sole traders, companies
- Legalization of accounting ledgers
- Take deposit of Annual Accounts
- Appointment of independent experts, auditors and insolvency mediators
- Online information. Updated. Reliable





## Added Value

### BUSINESS REGISTRAR

- Profesional Lawyer
- Public Official

- Review documents
- Checking of legality
- Supply Information
- Legal Advice
- Personally Liable
- Manager of Office



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**Registradores**  
DE ESPAÑA

### COLEGIO DE REGISTRADORES

Public Corporation

All Registrars. Business, Land, Movable Property (Chattel)

Quality of service provided by Registries

PAE- Point of Attention to entrepreneur

Electronic services support

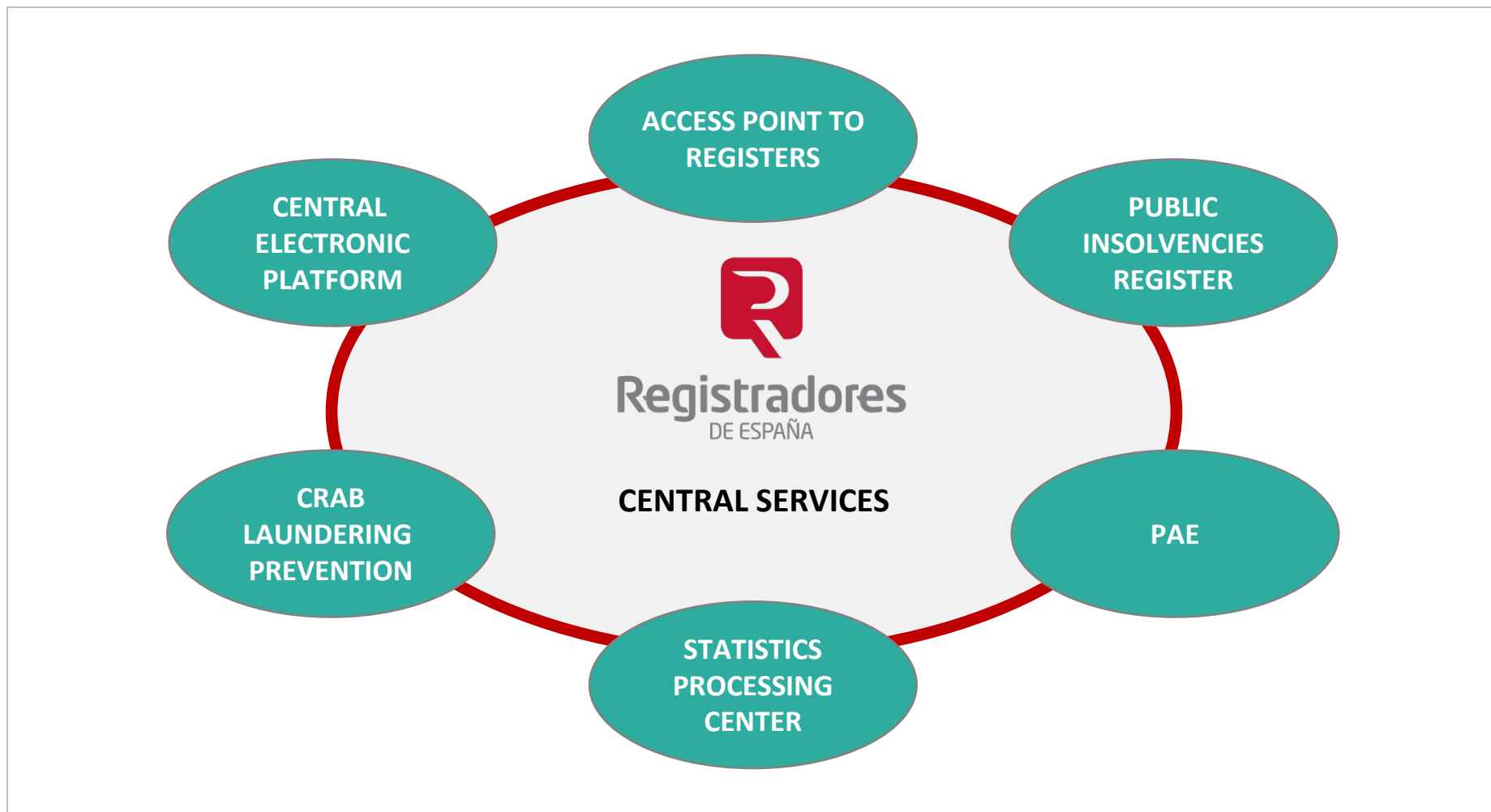
Coordination with Agencies (Tax, Land, Environment)

Central point. Licenses, taxes...

Mediation between Registers and final users



## How data from Business Registers supports policy makers



## How data from Commerce Registries supports policy makers

### LEGISLATIVE REFORMS

- Inform Projects
- Impulse in enforcement
- Promoting new legal provisions

The Commerce Registry provides legal certainty to Mercantile Traffic by disclosing legal and economic information of Registered Companies, Entrepreneurs and other parties involved in commercial activities.

## How data from Commerce Registries supports policy makers

### INSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENTS

#### ACTIVITIES AS SOURCE OF DATA

- The Central Bank of Spain
- The National Statistics Institute
- Ministries: Commerce, Economy, Treasury
- Regional Governments
- Municipalities

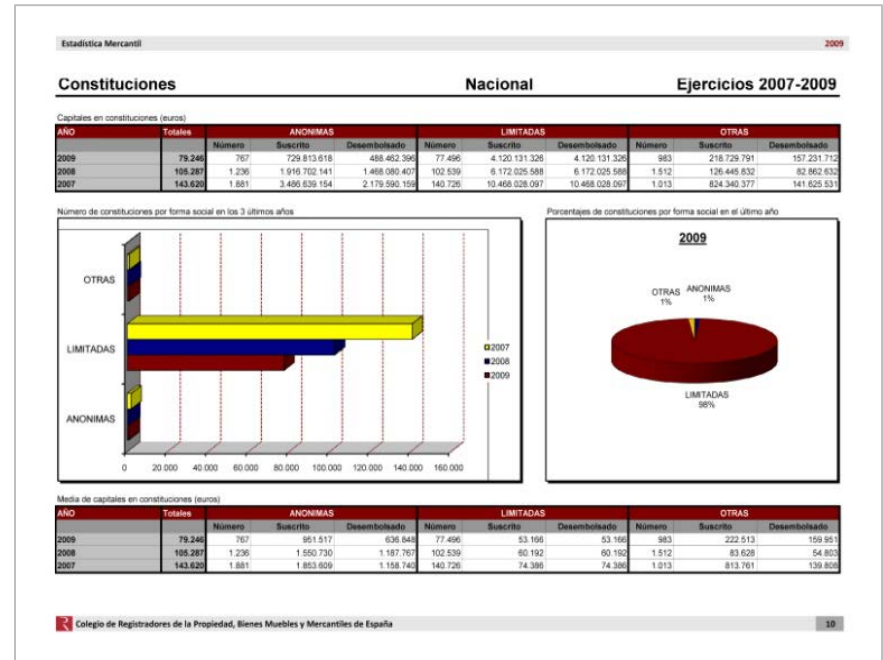
#### Take decisions about policies

- Economic
- Commercial activity

## PUBLISHED STATISTICS - Commercial Activity

### What kind of data aggregation is of interest

- Registered Legal data related to the economic cycle
- Large groups of indicators:
  - Companies Incorporations and Closings: Business network
  - Capitalization indicators: Capital increases or reductions. Issuance of liabilities
    - Structural modifications: Mergers, Spin-offs
    - Insolvency procedures: Difficulty of business financing
    - Different systems of administration
    - Annual accounts deposits: Economic and financial situation of companies
- Annual Report and quarterly update published



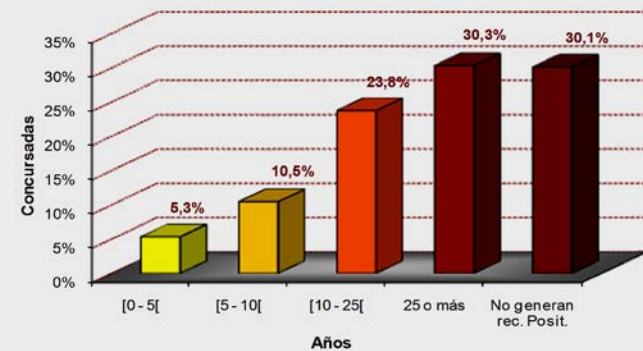


## PUBLISHED STATISTICS - Insolvency Statistics

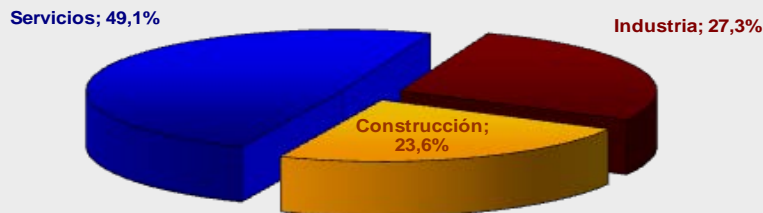
### What kind of data aggregation is of interest

- Annual Publication. Detail of companies involved in insolvency process
- More than 60.000 documents from more than 28.000 companies over 9 years
- Different kinds of insolvency processes, Financial-Economic characteristics of companies involved
- Refinancing agreements

### Time to attend Outstanding Liabilities with the Resources Generated



### Distribution by sectors of activity



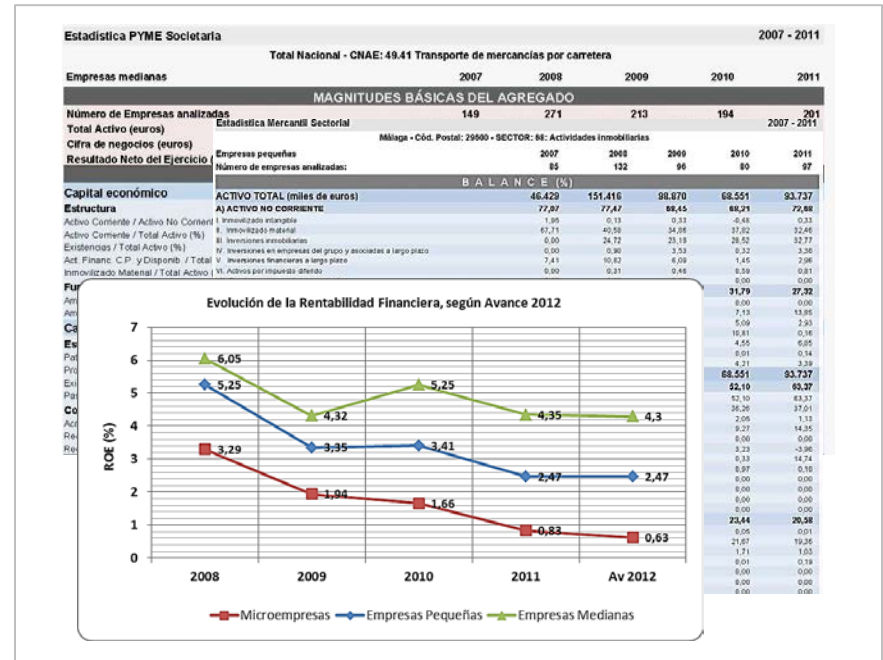
### Basics of the inform

- Companies characteristics: Dimension, sector of activity...
- Credit recovering agreements
- Management and control of the company
- Length of the process

## What kind of data aggregation is of interest

### Economic statistics by sectors. Publications

- Structure and economic performance of Small and Medium Enterprises, C SMEs, based on ratios and organized in groups: Structure, functionality, capital coverage. Management indicators. Financial Indicators. Shareholders revenues. Employment and its costs
- More than two hundred different sectors of activity
- Evolution of a panel with a common sample of components during the last four years, analysis by big sectors of activity, and a specific study on Research and Development R&D

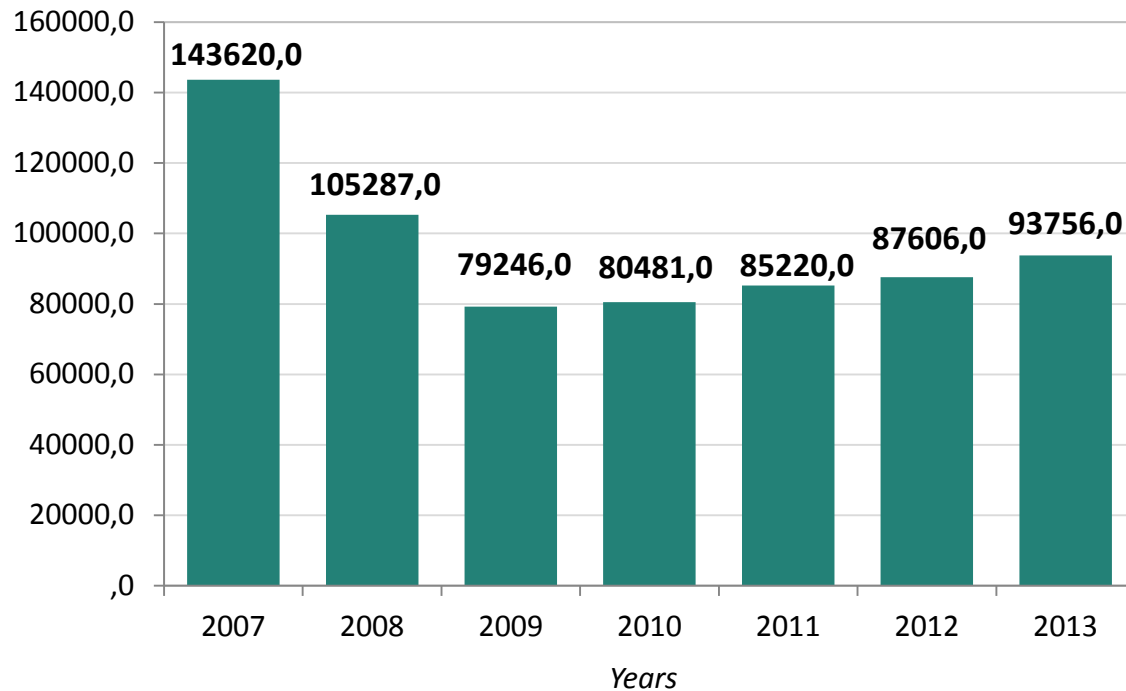




## Statistics Information from Commerce Registries

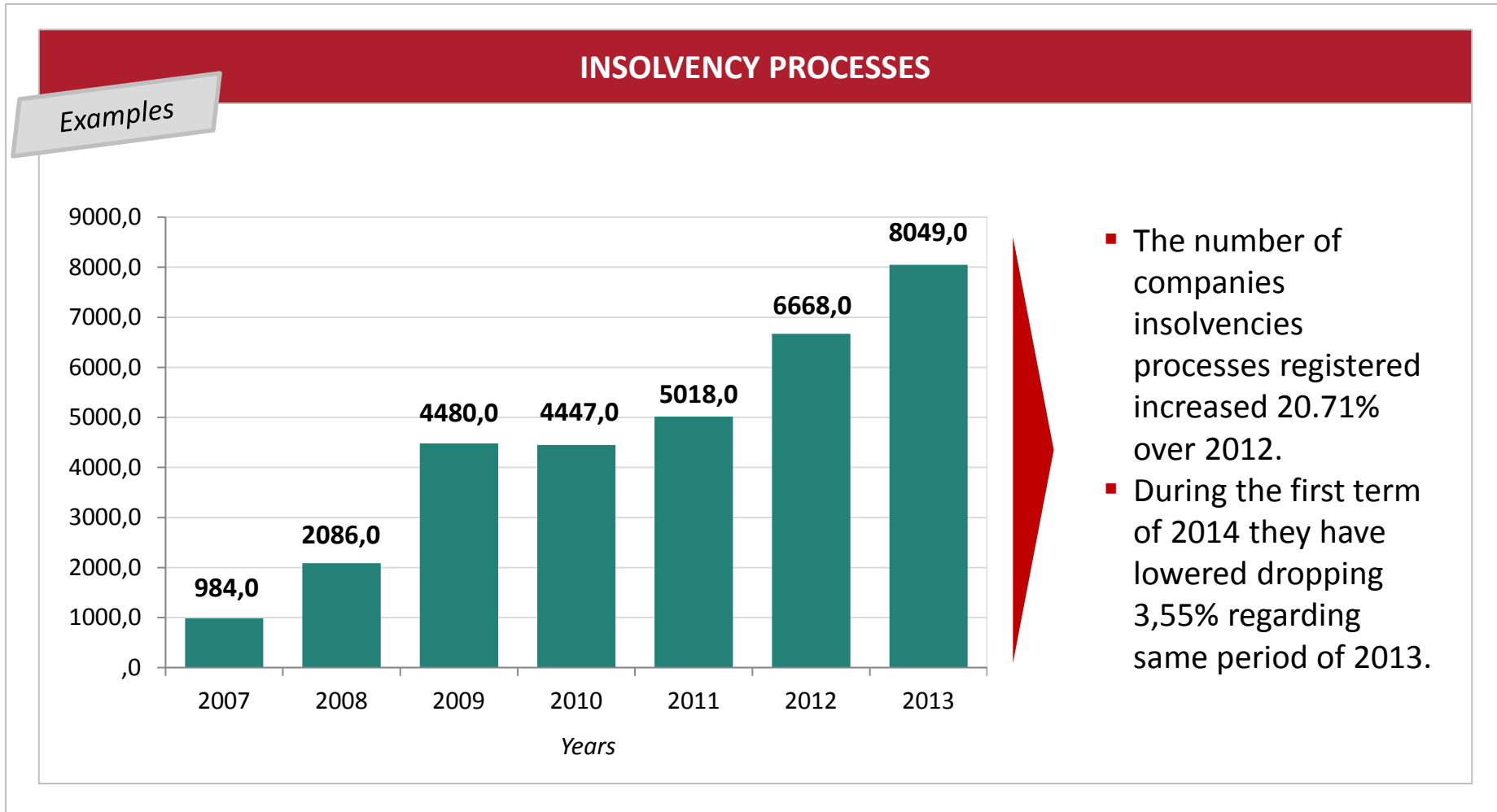
### COMPANIES INCORPORATIONS

Examples



- There has been a 7,02% increase of companies incorporations in relation to 2012. This propension persists during the first term of 2014 with an increase of 6,23% over the same period in 2013.

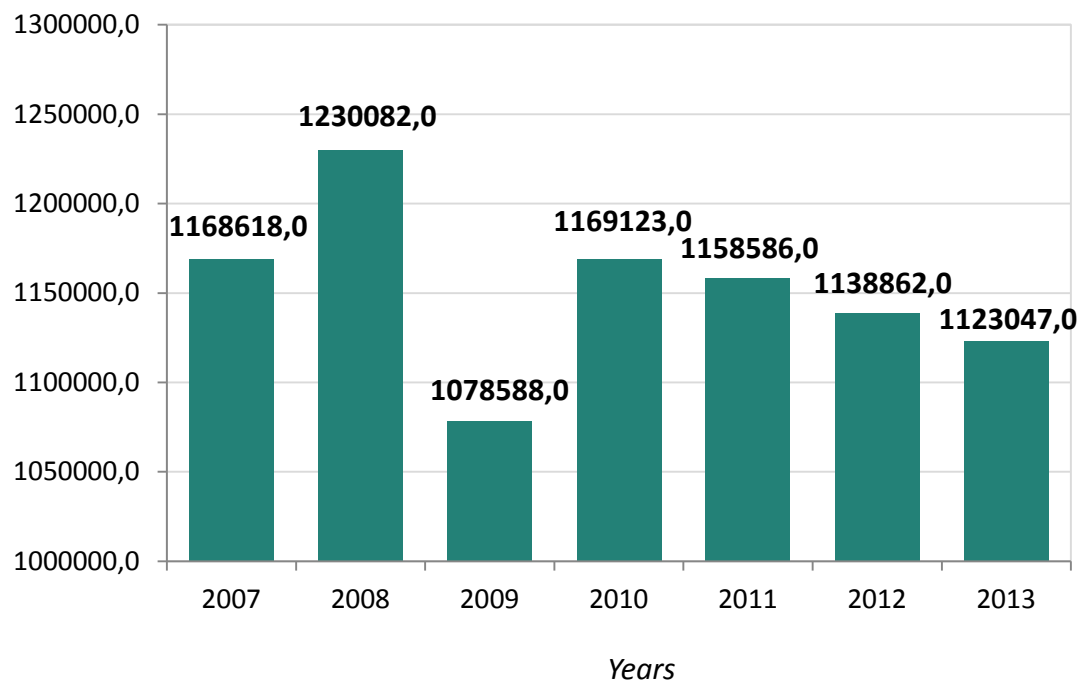
## Statistics Information from Commerce Registries (cont.)



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### NUMBER OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FILINGS

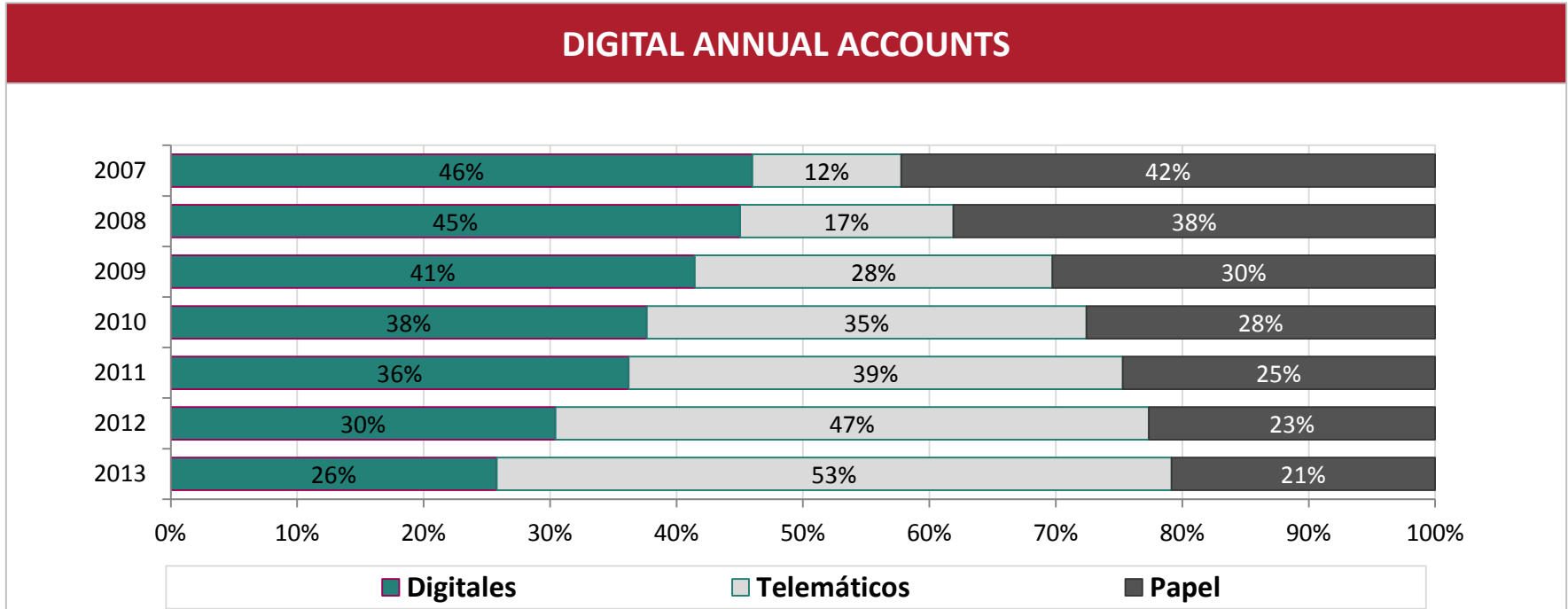
Examples



- Annual accounts deposits, which are an indicator of activity, went down, but slightly 1,39% regarding 2012, year in which they had dropped 1,70% regarding the former financial period.



## How the data has been used in the past and could be used in the future



- More than 80% of digital accounts, 53% (telematic means) in 2013 with the subsequent time and costs saving.



## Use of XBRL language in annual accounts

**CAN BE USED BY ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE CHAIN OF INFORMATION**

**TRANSPARENCY, RELIABILITY. INFORMATION EXCHANGE QUICKER AND SECURE)**

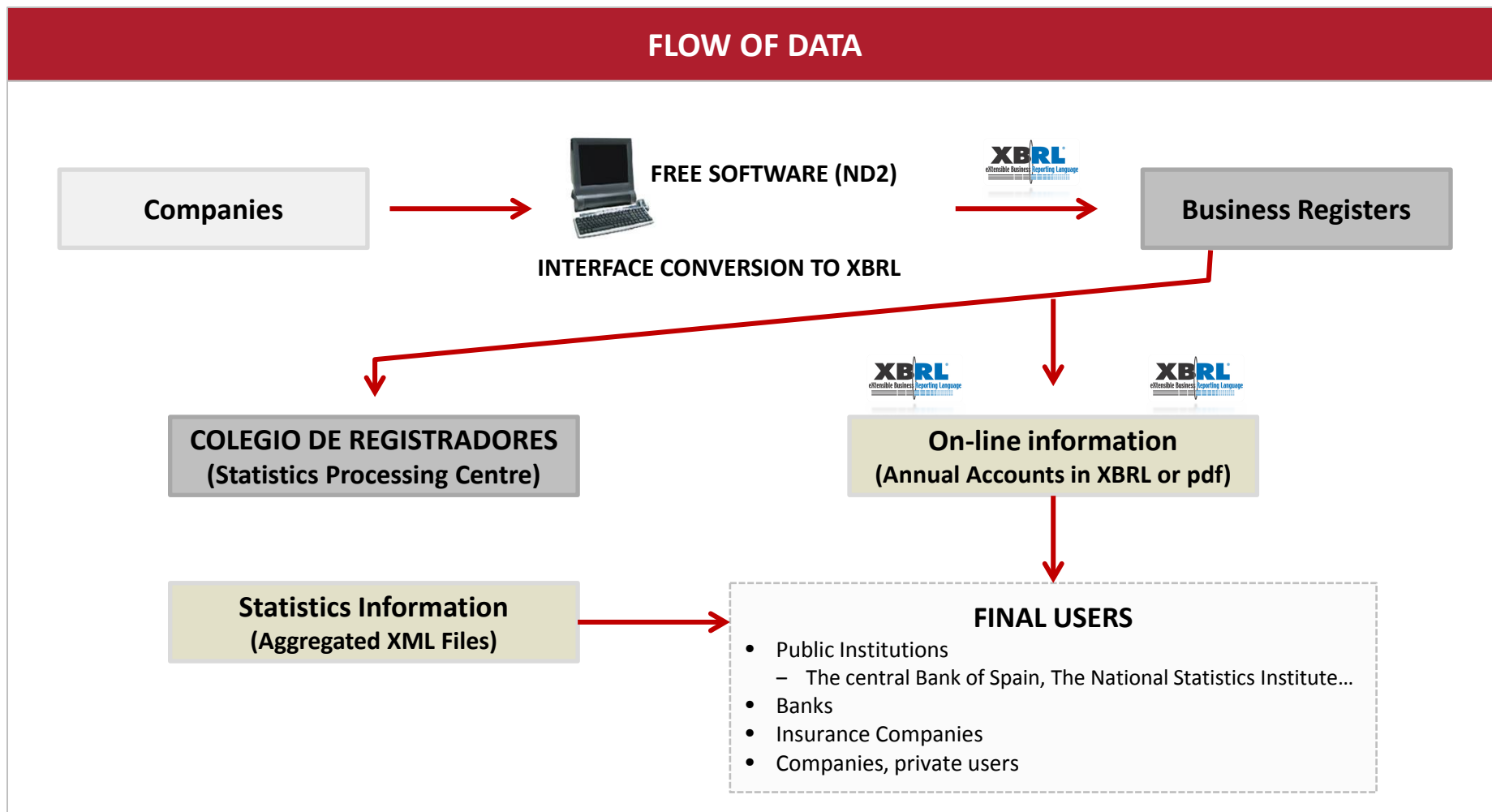
**COSTS AND TIME SAVING FOR THE USERS**

**HELPS AUTOMATIC PROCESS OF FILING AND DELIVERY**

**ALLOWS MASSIVE PROCESS AND CHECKING OF DATA**

- 80% of annual accounts. More than 800.000 documents/year
- Free software download from our website
- Advantages

## Use of XBRL language in annual accounts (cont.)







## Main Added Value of our data

### • Pivotal Principles of the Commerce Registry

- The Commerce Registry is the main legal instrument in the formalization of business deals, essential for economic growth and as a means to drastically reduce Transaction Costs
- Entries at the Commerce Registry are made after a previous and thorough legal scrutiny (assessment): Including legality check, and the validation of the contents of business acts, stakeholders agreements and legitimacy and capacity of those subscribing such acts
- Commerce Registry entries produce strong legal effects:
  - The contents of the Registry is presumed valid and exact
  - Registered acts are opposable against third parties
  - Registry entries are safeguarded by the Courts, and will produce its legal effects unless proven inaccurate or null
  - The Judicial declaration of inaccuracy or nullity of Registry entries will not harm the rights of Bona Fide third parties, in accordance with the law
- In this manner Companies, Citizens and Administrations alike, avoid incurring in high transaction costs, having at their disposal reputable and sufficient information about the legal entities they are dealing with, as well as their legal and economic situation.

The Commerce Registry exists to reduce Transaction Costs for Companies in their relation with other Economic Agents and Public Administrations

## Why do we need a Commerce Registry?

Company



Commerce Registry



Economic Agents



Public Administration



## Main Added Value of our data

Quality of effects of Registration System *OUTPUT*



- Quality and intensity of barriers of entry *INPUT*

ADDED VALUE



**Solve market legal security problems  
with the smaller potential costs**





**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

