

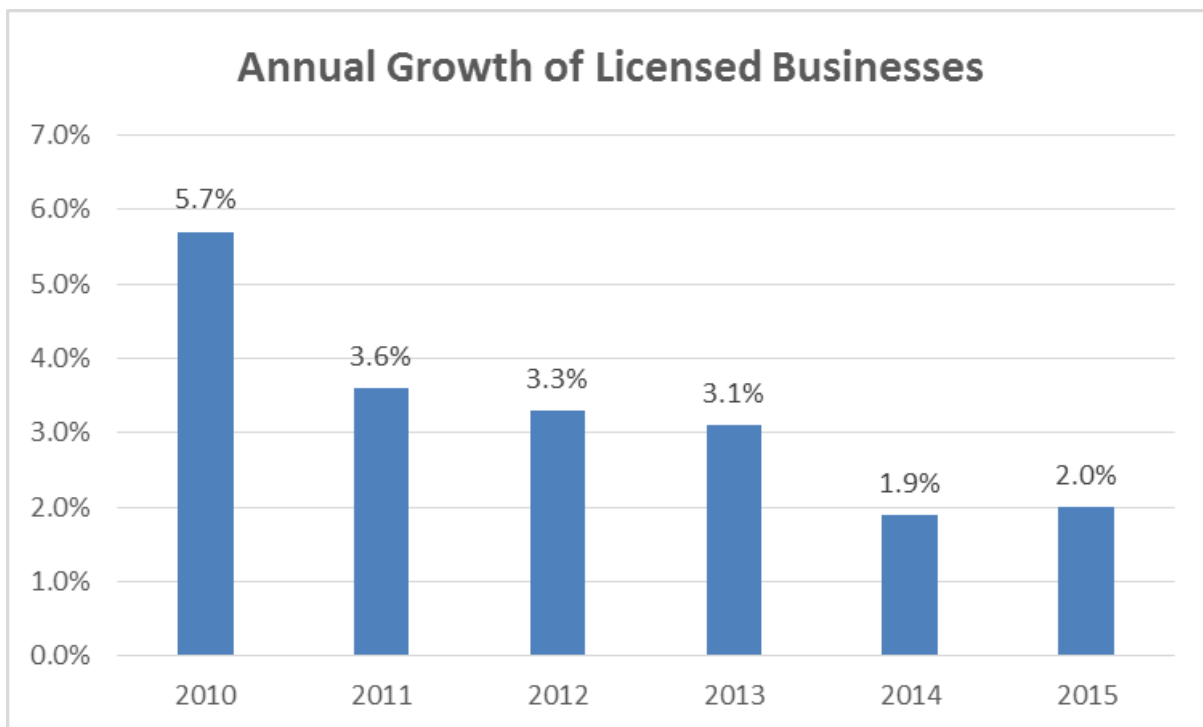
## Business Growth

**Indicator:** Business Growth

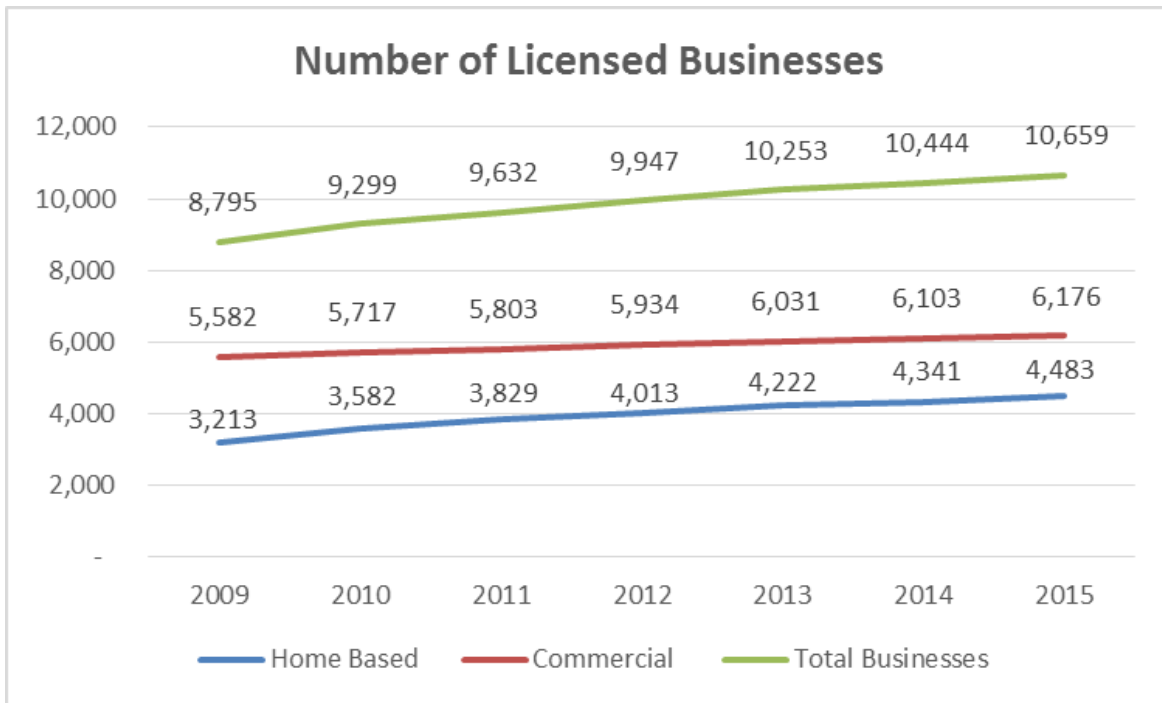
**Description:** “Business Growth” as measured by the increase in the number of business licenses issued by the City of Saskatoon is an indicator of the City’s Economic Diversity and Prosperity. The City of Saskatoon Business License Bylaw requires all businesses to obtain a license prior to operating.

### How are we doing?

In 2015, the total number of businesses increased by 2.0% compared to 2014. As of December 31, 2015, the City of Saskatoon had 10,659 licensed businesses, including 6,176 commercial businesses and 4,483 home-based businesses.



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### How are other cities doing?

Edmonton is the only other benchmark western Canadian city that requires business licenses for all active businesses. From 2014 to 2015, Edmonton had a 5.9% increase in business licenses to 29,980 in total. Regina, Winnipeg, and Calgary only require licenses for businesses operating in a few specific sectors.