

# FOCUS ACTIVITIES

## Transparency 19



### **S**OLE PROPRIETORSHIPS IN THE UNITED STATES

Nonfarm Sole Proprietorships in the United States, 2004		
	Number (thousands)	Percent
Total	20,590.7	100
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,951.0	14
Wholesale and Retail Sales	2,750.2	13
Construction	2,586.8	12
Health Care, Child Care, and Assistance Services	2,472.1	12
Administrative, Support, and Waste Services	1,994.8	9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,132.2	5
Real Estate, Renting, Leasing	1,179.4	6
Transportation and Warehousing	982.8	4
Finance and Insurance	672.7	3
Other Services	2,089.3	10
All Others	2,473.4	12
Total receipts (in millions)	\$1,016,800	
Net income (in millions)	\$250,200	

Source: Internal Revenue Service

1. How many nonfarm sole proprietorships are in business in the United States?
2. What is the most common single business activity of nonfarm sole proprietorships?