



TYPES OF BUSINESSES RECOGNIZED BY THE VIRGINIA SCC

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TYPES OF BUSINESSES

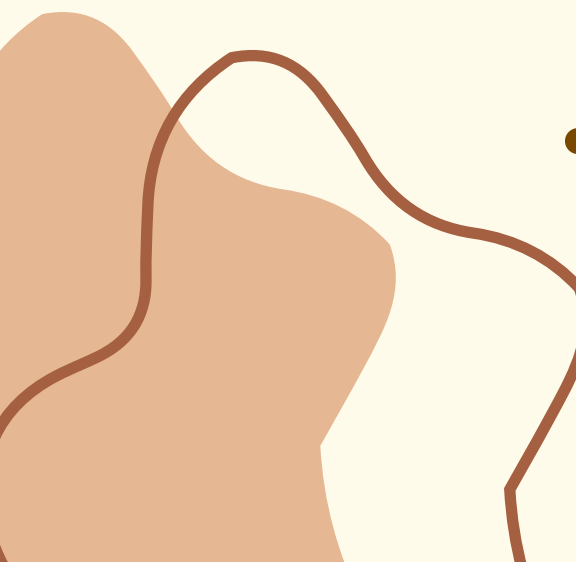


- Sole Proprietorship
 - Owned by one person
- Partnership
 - 2 or more people
- Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 - Owned by members
 - Owners are not liable
- Corporation
 - Seperate from owners
 - Owned by shareholders
 - Double taxed



VIRGINIA BUSINESS REGISTRATION



- Through Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC)
 - Virginia Department of Taxation for tax filing
 - Clerks Information System (CIS) an online portal
 - Sole Proprietorships do not need to be registared
 - Unincorporate General Partnerships don't
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FILING FORMS & FEES

- Sole Proprietorship
 - No fees
- Partnership
 - No fees
 - LLP's charge \$100
- Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 - \$100 filing fee
- Corporation
 - \$25 filing fee + fee based on stock volume



BUSINESS TAXES

- Single-member LLC: sole proprietor taxation
- Multi-member LLC: partnership taxation
- Pass-through: owners report business income
- C-corporations: possible double taxation
- Virginia PTET: 5.75% elective tax
- PTET may offer federal benefits



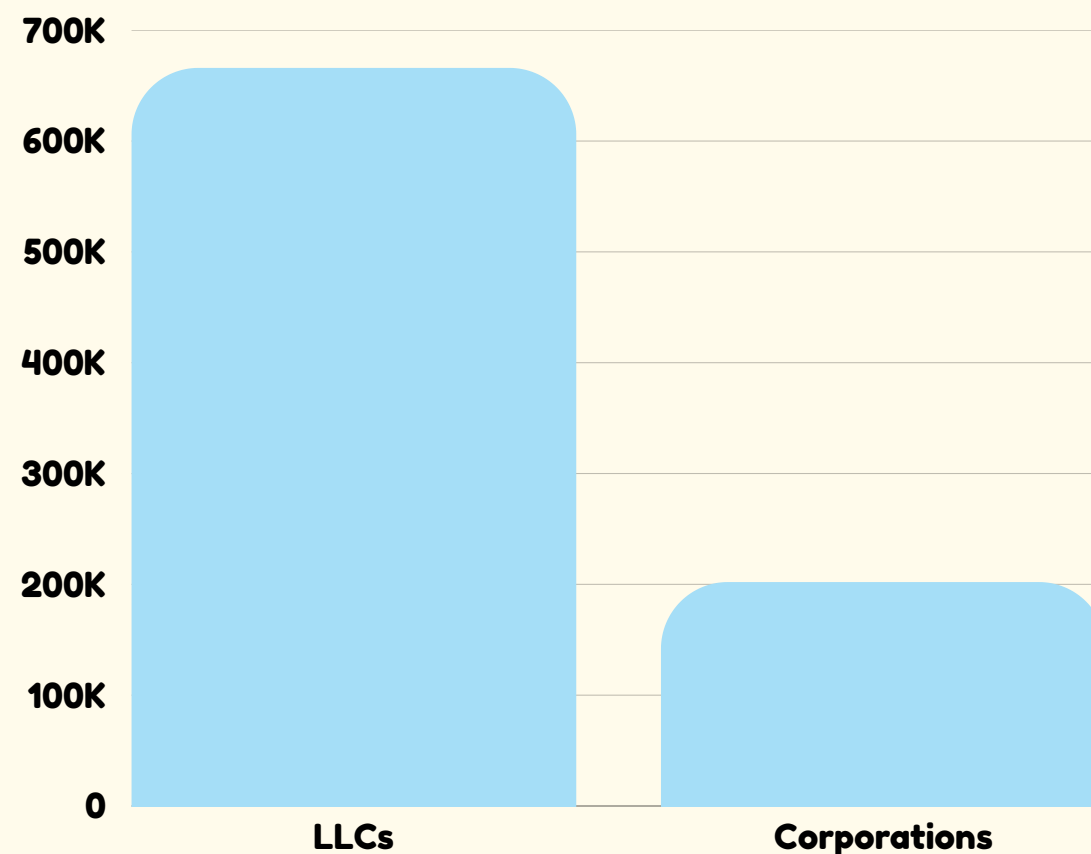
ANNUAL BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS



- LLCs: \$50 annual registration fee
- Stock corporations: \$100 minimum annually
- Nonstock corporations: \$25 annually
- Limited partnerships: \$50 annually
- Corporations submit annual reports
- Late payments risk business penalties

CHOOSING YOUR BUSINESS

Active LLCs vs. Corporations in Virginia
As of December 31, 2025



- Venture captial: C–Corporation
- Corporations can issue investor shares
- Solo consultant: single–member LLC
- Sole proprietorship: least paperwork
- LLCs offer flexible business management
- Convert when investors require stock



THANK YOU

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