

# 2005 Annual Services Report Service Annual Survey

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## Newspaper Publishers

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## REPORT DUE

Any questions call **1-800-772-7851**  
M-F, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.

Please correct any error in the name, address, or ZIP Code.

## YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED BY LAW

Title 13, U.S. Code, requires businesses and other organizations that receive this questionnaire to answer the questions and return the report to the Census Bureau.

## YOUR RESPONSE IS CONFIDENTIAL BY LAW

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## YOUR RESPONSE IS IMPORTANT

The services industries account for nearly 70 percent of all economic activity. We conduct this survey to obtain timely, comprehensive and consistent measures needed by policy-makers, businesses, and the public to accurately assess domestic economic performance.

## Annual Services Report

- This report should be completed and returned on or before the due date in the preaddressed envelope provided.
- If filing within the required time frame will cause an undue burden and you would like an extension, or if you have any questions, please write to:

**U.S. CENSUS BUREAU**  
**1201 East 10th Street**  
**Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001**

or call a Census Bureau Representative at 1-800-772-7851, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., eastern standard time.

### 1 Report Coverage

This report covers all domestic locations that report payroll for the Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) shown in the address label primarily engaged in operations necessary for producing and distributing newspapers, including gathering news; writing news columns, feature stories, and editorials; and selling and preparing advertisements. These locations may publish newspapers in print or electronic form.

**Does the above coverage describe this firm's business activity?**

- 0001 1 ☐ Yes – **Go to 2**
- 2 ☐ No – **Specify the firm's business activity and complete the report where applicable beginning with 2.** →

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### 2 Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Is the Federal Employer Identification Number the same as was reported on the firm's latest Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return (IRS Form 941)?

- 0003 1 ☐ Yes – **Go to 3**
- 2 ☐ No – **Enter the current EIN.** . . . 0004   –

Month Year

0005

**When did the firm begin reporting payroll under this EIN?** . . . . .

### 3 Report Periods

**What periods of time will this data represent?**

- Report data for the 2005 and 2004 calendar years if possible.
- For locations that were sold or acquired during a year, only report for the periods that this firm operated the locations.

- 0006 1 ☐ 2005 and 2004 calendar years – **Go to 4**
- 2 ☐ Other than calendar years – **Enter the periods this report will cover.** . . .  
 (e.g., fiscal years, periods with less than a full calendar year).

2005			2004		
Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
0007					
From			From		
0008					
To			To		

## 4 Operating Revenue

Report the total operating revenue for this firm's locations defined in 1 for the following categories.

- Enter "0" where applicable.
- Estimates are acceptable.

**Exclude:**

- Transfers made within the company.

### General Newspapers

		2005 Operating Revenue				2004 Operating Revenue			
		Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.	Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
1. <b>Subscriptions and sales</b> – Subscriptions and sales of newspapers consisting of multiple topics with the intent of appealing to a broad audience. <b>Include</b> community newspapers. . . . .	6061	\$				\$			
2. <b>Advertising space</b> – Advertising from newspapers consisting of multiple topics with the intent of appealing to a broad audience. <b>Include</b> community newspapers. . . . .	6062	\$				\$			

### Specialized Newspapers

3. <b>Subscriptions and sales</b> – Subscriptions and sales of newspapers focusing on a single topic or theme that is of special interest to a select audience. . . . .	6063	\$				\$			
4. <b>Advertising space</b> – Advertising from newspapers focusing on a single topic or theme that is of special interest to a select audience. . . . .	6064	\$				\$			

### Other Operating Revenue

5. <b>Printing services</b> – Printing publications of any type for others (e.g., books, magazines, newspapers, journals, brochures, pamphlets, posters, and calendars). . . . .	6001	\$				\$			
6. <b>Distribution services</b> – The distribution of materials owned by others (e.g., flyers, inserts, and samples) on a contractual basis. . . . .	6002	\$				\$			
7. <b>All other operating revenue</b> – Revenue not reported in lines 1–6. If this item is greater than 20% of the total operating revenue, specify the primary source of the revenue here ↘	1560								
	1799	\$				\$			
8. <b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b> – Sum of lines 1–7. . . . .	1800	\$				\$			

## 5 Source of Revenue

Report the percent of revenue that each type of newspaper generates for the newspaper revenue reported in **4** lines 1–4.

- Enter "0" where applicable.
- Estimates are acceptable.

### Type of Media

		Source of Newspaper Revenue	
		2005	2004
6065			
1. <b>Print newspapers</b> – Newspapers published on paper. . . . .		%	%
6066			
2. <b>Online newspapers</b> – Newspapers published online. . . . .		%	%
6067			
3. <b>Other media newspapers</b> – Newspapers published on any physical medium other than paper or online (e.g., CD-ROM, audiocassette, CD, DVD, microfilm, diskette). . . . .	+	%	+ %
		100%	100%

Report the percent of revenue that each type of advertising generates for the advertising revenue reported in **4** lines 2 and 4.

- Enter "0" where applicable.
- Estimates are acceptable.

### Type of Advertising

		Source of Advertising Revenue	
		2005	2004
6068			
1. <b>Classified advertising.</b> . . . .		%	%
6069			
2. <b>All other advertising.</b> . . . .	+	%	+ %
		100%	100%

## 6 Operating Expenses

Report operating expenses for this firm's locations as defined in **1** for the following categories.

- Enter "0" where applicable.
- Estimates are acceptable.

**Exclude:**

- Transfers made within the company
- Capitalized expenses
- Interest
- Bad debt
- Impairment
- Income tax

### Personnel Costs

	2005 Operating Expenses				2004 Operating Expenses			
	Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.	Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
<b>1. Gross annual payroll</b> – Total annual Medicare salaries and wages for all employees as reported on your firm's IRS Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, line 5(c) for the four quarters that correspond to the survey period. . . . .	1821							
	\$				\$			
<b>2. Employer's cost for fringe benefits</b> – Employer's cost for legally required programs and programs not required by law. <b>Include</b> insurance premiums for hospital plans, medical plans, and single service plans (e.g., dental, vision, prescription drugs); premium equivalents for self-insured plans and fees paid to third-party administrators (TPAs); defined benefit pension plans; defined contribution plans (e.g., profit sharing, 401K and stock option plans); and other fringe benefits (e.g., Social Security, workers' compensation insurance, unemployment tax, state disability insurance programs, life insurance benefits, Medicare). Do not include employee contributions. . . . .	1822							
	\$				\$			
<b>3. Temporary staff and leased employee expense</b> – Total costs paid to Professional Employer Organizations (PEOs) and staffing agencies for personnel. <b>Include</b> all charges for payroll, benefits, and services. . . . .	1823							
	\$				\$			

### Expensed Materials, Parts and Supplies (not for resale)

<b>4. Expensed equipment</b> – Expensed computer hardware and other equipment (e.g., copiers, fax machines, telephones, shop and lab equipment, CPUs and monitors). Report packaged software in line 6. Report leased and rented equipment in line 8. . . . .	1824							
	\$				\$			
<b>5. Expensed purchases of other materials, parts, and supplies</b> – Materials and supplies used in providing services to others; materials and parts used in repairs; office and janitorial supplies; small tools; containers and other packaging materials; and motor fuels. . . . .	1825							
	\$				\$			

### Expensed Purchased Services

<b>6. Expensed purchases of software</b> – Purchases of prepackaged, custom coded, or vendor customized software. <b>Include</b> software developed or customized by others, web-design services and purchases, licensing agreements, upgrades of software; and maintenance fees related to software upgrades and alterations. . . . .	1826							
	\$				\$			
<b>7. Purchased electricity and fuels (except motor fuels)</b> – If the cost of electricity and heating fuels (e.g., natural gas, propane, oil, coal) are included in lease or rental payments, report in line 8 . . . . .	1827							
	\$				\$			
<b>8. Lease and rental payments</b> – For land, buildings, offices, structures, machinery, equipment, and other tangible items. <b>Include</b> lease and rental of transportation equipment without operators; and penalties incurred for broken leases. <b>Exclude</b> capital and financing lease agreements and licensing/leasing of software. . . . .	1828							
	\$				\$			

## 6 Operating Expenses – (Continued)

Report operating expenses for this firm's locations as defined in **1** for the following categories.

- Enter "0" where applicable.
- Estimates are acceptable.

### Exclude:

- Transfers made within the company
- Capitalized expenses
- Interest
- Bad debt
- Impairment
- Income tax

## Expensed Purchased Services – (Continued)

**9. Purchased repair and maintenance – Include** expensed repair and maintenance to buildings and integral building components (e.g., elevators, heating and cooling systems), structures, offices, machinery, vehicles, equipment, and computer hardware. **Exclude** materials, parts, and supplies used for repair and maintenance performed by this firm's employees. Report janitorial and grounds maintenance services in line **14**.

	2005 Operating Expenses				2004 Operating Expenses			
	Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.	Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
1829								
\$					\$			

**10. Purchased advertising and promotional services – Include** marketing and public relations services.

1830								
\$					\$			

**11. Purchased printing services –** Purchased or contracted printing services.

6003								
\$					\$			

## Other Operating Expenses

**12. Depreciation and amortization charges – Include** depreciation charges taken against tangible assets owned and used by your firm, tangible assets and improvements owned by your firm within leaseholds, tangible assets obtained through capital lease agreements, and amortization charges against intangible assets (e.g., patents, copyrights). **Exclude** impairment.

1831								
\$					\$			

**13. Governmental taxes and license fees –** Payments to government agencies for taxes and licenses. **Include** business and property taxes. **Exclude** income taxes, and sales and excise taxes collected from customers.

1832								
\$					\$			

**14. All other operating expenses –** All other operating expenses not reported above, unless specifically excluded in the general instructions at the top of the page. **Exclude** purchases of merchandise for resale and non-operating expenses.

1899								
\$					\$			

**15. TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES –** Sum of lines 1–14.

1900								
\$					\$			

**7** Not Applicable



## 11 Ownership or Control

Does another firm own more than 50 percent of the voting stock or have the power to control the management and policies of this company?

0013 1 ☐ Yes – Provide this firm's information. . . . .

2 ☐ No – Go to 12

0014 Name of owning or controlling company

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EIN

Street address

City, State, ZIP Code

## 12 Acquisitions or Mergers

Did this company acquire or merge with another firm in 2005 or 2004?

0018 Month Year

0016 1 ☐ Yes – Provide the date of the merger or acquisition and the firm's information. . . . .  
(for multiple mergers, provide each firm's information as an attachment to this report)

2 ☐ No – Go to 13

0017 Name of company acquired or merged with

0019

EIN

Street address

City, State, ZIP Code

## 13 Remarks – Please provide an explanation for any inconsistent or incomplete data that would aid in understanding this report. For any separate correspondence pertaining to this report, please include the identification number shown in the address label area at the top of the first page.

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## 14 Certification – This report is substantially accurate and has been prepared in accordance with the instructions.

0020 Name of person completing this report – Please print

0024 Title

0025 Date

0021 Address (Street address, City, State, ZIP Code)

0022 Telephone number

Area code

Number

Extension

0023 Fax number

Area code

Number

Extension

0026 E-mail address

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## Instructions for Taxable Firms

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### General Instructions

- Report data on an accrual basis, except for payroll.
- Dollars should be rounded to the nearest dollar.

- If a figure is \$1,030,280,456 it should be reported as →

Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
1	030	280	456

#### Include in operating revenue:

- Report gross billings, except where noted elsewhere on the form.
- Amounts received for work subcontracted to others.
- For locations that were sold or acquired during a year, only report for the periods that this firm operated the locations.
- Revenue from services performed by domestic locations of foreign parent firms, subsidiaries, branches, etc.
- Dues and assessments from members and affiliates.

#### Exclude from operating revenue:

- Taxes collected directly from customers or clients and paid directly to a local, state, or federal tax agency.
- Rents from and revenue of separately operated departments, concessions, etc., which are leased to others.
- Commissions from vending machine operators.
- Revenue of foreign subsidiaries (those located outside the U.S., i.e., outside the 50 states, District of Columbia, U.S. Commonwealth Territories, or U.S. Possessions).
- Non-operating revenue such as income from investments, sales of company-owned real estate (land and building), or other assets, (except inventory held for resale, securities, gifts, loans, contributions, or grants).
- Revenue from the sale of used equipment.

### Item Specific Instructions

#### Item 6 – Operating Expenses

##### Line 1 – Gross annual payroll

**Include** salaries and wages, commissions, dismissal pay, bonuses, employee contributions to Social Security, income tax withholding, union dues, group insurance premiums, savings bonds, cash equivalent in-kind, allowances, holiday pay, vacation pay, sick leave, stock purchase plans, and employee contributions to pension plans. **Exclude** the cost of leased employees, employer's cost for fringe benefits, temporary staff obtained from temporary help services. For unincorporated businesses, **exclude** profit or other compensation of proprietors or partners.

##### All other operating expenses

**Include** travel and entertainment; postage, shipping or delivery services, warehousing, and storage services; royalties; security services; janitorial and grounds maintenance services; purchased transportation with operators; and other expenses not reported elsewhere.