## Partnership Returns, 2014

The IRS Statistics of Income (SOI) Division produces a collection of aggregate statistics from a sample of information returns partnerships file each calendar year. SOI based the 2014 study on Forms 1065 and 1065-B filed during Calendar Year 2015. These data reflect partnerships, by industry, total assets, net income (loss), tax credits, and other financial data.


Partnerships: Income (Loss) Allocations, by Type of Partner, Tax Years 2005-2014



Source: IRS, Statistics of Income Division, Partnerships, April 2016.

## Highlights of the Data

- Partnerships filed more than 3.6 million tax returns for 2014, a 4.4-percent increase over the number filed for 2013. These returns represented 27.7 million partners, up 0.8 percent from the previous year.
- Domestic limited liability companies (LLCs) made up the majority ( 67.4 percent) of all partnerships, surpassing all other entity types for the 13th consecutive year.
- Domestic limited partnerships represented only 11.5 percent of all partnerships but reported the most profits ( 32.2 percent), and the largest share of partners ( 44.2 percent).
- Real estate and rental and leasing accounted for about half ( 50.3 percent) of all partnerships and over a quarter ( 28.5 percent) of all partners. The finance and insurance sector reported the largest shares of total net income (loss) ( 41.4 percent), total assets ( 56.4 percent), and total receipts ( 23.4 percent) for 2014.
- Total assets increased 8.1 percent between 2013 and 2014, from $\$ 24.2$ trillion to $\$ 26.1$ trillion. All 20 industrial sectors reported an increase.
- Receipts totaled $\$ 7.5$ trillion for 2014, up 5.6 percent from the amount reported for 2013. Business receipts made up the majority of total receipts ( 69.4 percent), rising 2.3 percent for the year.
- Total net income (loss), or profit, increased 8.9 percent, from $\$ 768.8$ billion for 2013 to $\$ 837.4$ billion for 2014. Ordinary business income accounted for the majority of this increase.
- Between 2013 and 2014, total income (loss) minus total deductions available for allocation increased from $\$ 1,478.5$ billion to $\$ 1,722.5$ billion. Partners classified as partnerships received the largest share of income (loss) allocated to partners, $\$ 586.3$ billion.
Further information about tax statistics is available on the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov/taxstats. Detailed partnership tax statistics are available in "Partnership Returns, 2014," SOI Bulletin, Fall 2016.


