

# Business Planning Guide

## How do I start a Small Business?

<http://revenue.mt.gov/forbusinesses/starting-a-new-business.mcp>

## Where Can I Get Montana Industry Statistics?

[Bureau of Business and Economic Reserach](#)

## Can I get a Grant for my Small Business?

Probably not; government grants are typically not offered for small businesses.

## Where do I register my business name?

<http://sos.mt.gov/Business/Forms>

## What type of business structure is best for me?

[http://www.bizfilings.com/products/articles/entity\\_comparison\\_table.asp](http://www.bizfilings.com/products/articles/entity_comparison_table.asp)

## What kind of taxes do you file for each business structure?

<http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small/article/0,,id=98359,00.html>

## Where can I request a Tax ID, and do I need one?

[www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

<http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small/article/0,,id=98350,00.html>

*Find your local IRS Office in Montana*

<http://www.irs.gov/localcontacts/article/0,,id=98295,00.html>

## Do I need to get my business licensed?

*You can call your city office or Clerk to find out if you need a license:*