



Beginners: e-Life: Finding Company Info

Kompass is one of Hillingdon Libraries' many e-Information subscription services and can be used to search for information about many companies, for example who the director is, how many employees it has, contact details and financial information.

1. Click on the **e-Information** tab on the Launcher Pad and choose the link to **Kompass**, (from home, go to www.hillingdon.gov.uk/libraries, log in and follow the link to Kompass).

2. Type in the search box the **keywords** for the company you are interested in. For example, imagine that you have a job interview with the John Lewis Partnership next week, and that you would therefore like to find out some information about them. Type the keywords **John Lewis** in the search box.

3. Choose **United Kingdom** from the **Region** drop-down list.
4. Click on the **search** button.

A list of results will be displayed. In this instance the company we are looking for is shown as the third in the results list.

5. Click on the link to **John Lewis Partnership**. The full contact details are then shown as well as website information.

On the left are links to the **Company Profile**: general information, executives, products & services and financial information, which is shown below.

John Lewis Partnership

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial statistics are in thousands of GBP except m = millions

	012005	012004	%	012003	%	012002	%
Months	12	12		12		12	
Consolidated	Y	Y		Y		Y	
Profit and Loss							
Sales Turnover	4758m	4500m	6	4169m	8	4459m	-7
Pre Tax Profit/Loss	109500	86200	27	77900	11	84200	-7
Balance Sheet							
Working Capital	-8400	209200	-104	122600	71	100700	
Net Assets/Liabilities							
Net Worth	1613m	1543m	5	1481m	4	1440m	