

Sector Insight: Armed Forces Charities



There are currently 1,843 UK armed forces charities

This makes up around 1% of all charities registered in the UK



The sector has shrunk by 133 charities since 2016

The sector is shrinking by 44 charities each year



34 charity mergers since 2012

Collaboration continues between armed forces charities



Scottish charities are closing at a faster rate

Scottish charities are closing at twice the rate of those opening



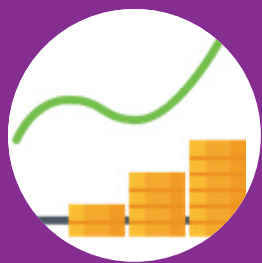
Association branches are in rapid decline

There are now 173 less association branches than in 2012



Welfare charities are volatile

One third of closed welfare charities had a lifespan of less than 10 years



Welfare provide 71% of grants to organisations

This equates to over £45 million each year



The 43 largest charities generate 74% of all income

71% of the sector is made up of micro and small charities which generate just 2% of all income



Welfare charities account for 70% of income

The top 88 welfare charities' account for 70% of all income and expenditure