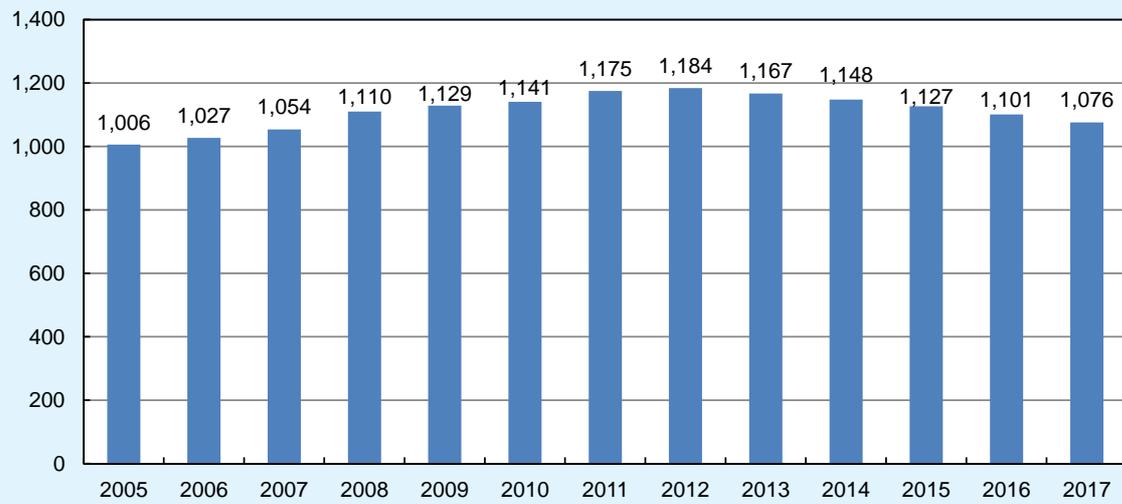


As part of the streamlining process, the banks continued the trend of closing branches from recent years.

Figure 1.10
Number of Branches^a, Total Banking System, 2005—17



^a Operating in Israel.

SOURCE: Based on reports to the Banking Supervision Department.