

Barking

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

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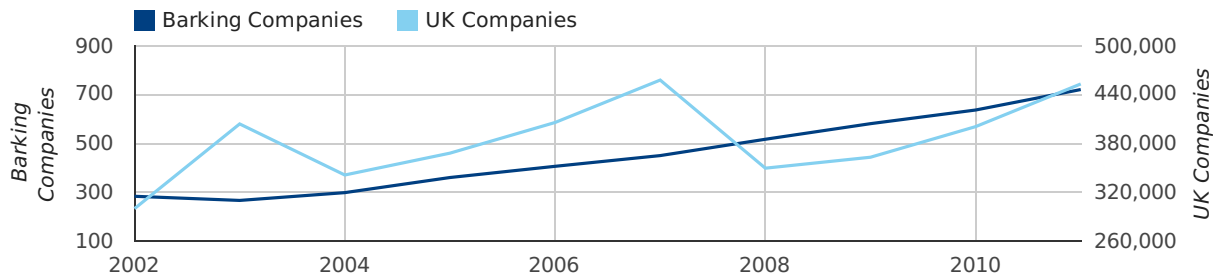
Annual Data (2011)

2011 was a record year for company registrations in Barking when compared to any year in history.

A total of 720 companies were formed in Barking in 2011. This total is 13.2% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BARKING	UK
2011	720	452,870
2010	636	400,358
2009	580	362,675
2008	516	349,203
2007	449	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (720)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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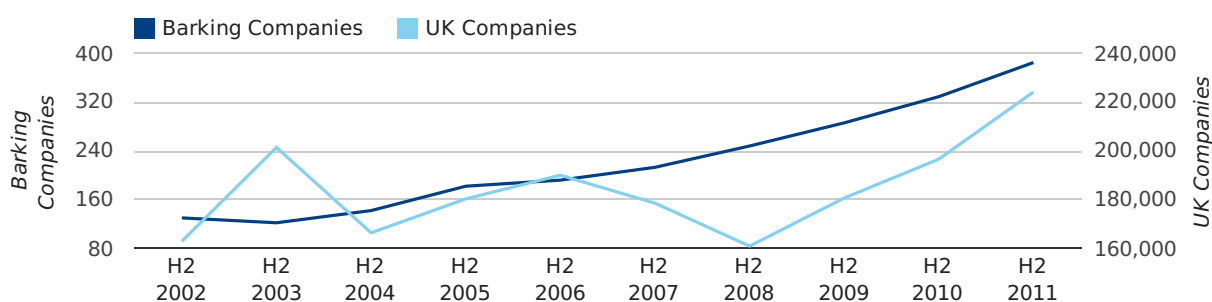
The second half of 2011 was a record second half year for company registrations in Barking when compared to any half year in history.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 385 companies were formed in Barking. This figure is 17.0% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Barking occurred in 2011 when a total of 385 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BARKING	UK
2011	385	224,135
2010	329	196,609
% CHANGE	17.0%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (385)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

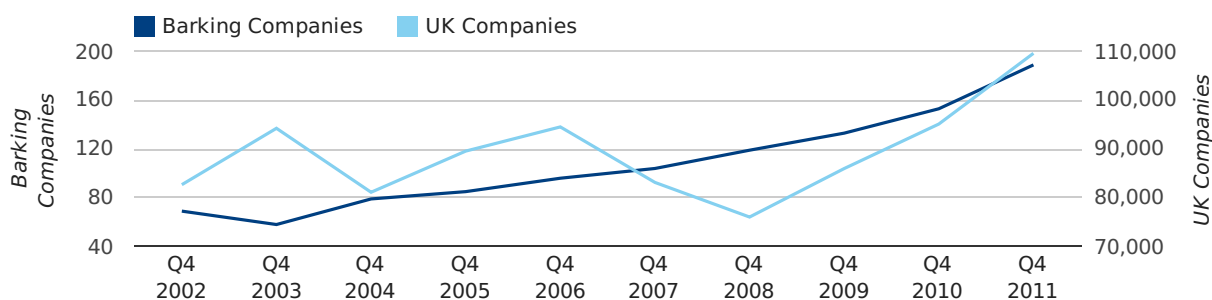
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Barking when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 189 companies were registered in Barking during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 23.5% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BARKING	UK
2011	189	109,623
2010	153	95,117
% CHANGE	23.5%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (189)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



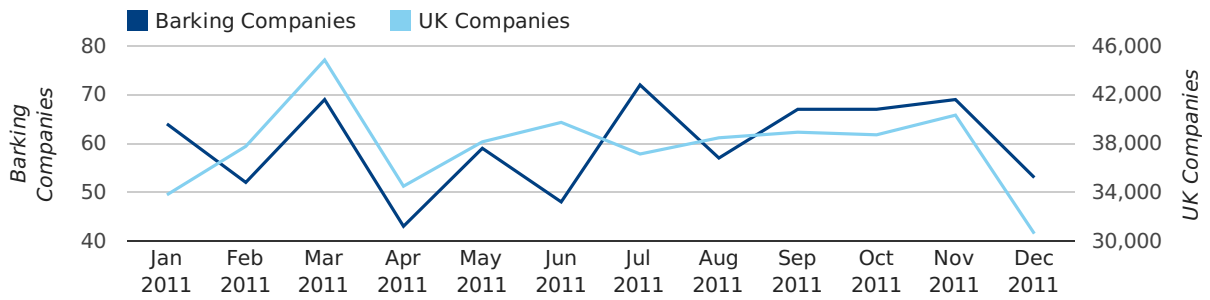
Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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new companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	67	69	53
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	65	52	36
% CHANGE	3.1%	32.7%	47.2%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (67)	2011 (69)	2011 (53)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 467 companies were dissolved in Barking in 2011. This total is 1.1% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BARKING	UK
2011	467	314,523
2010	462	342,232
2009	561	533,773
2008	169	237,901
2007	229	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (561)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



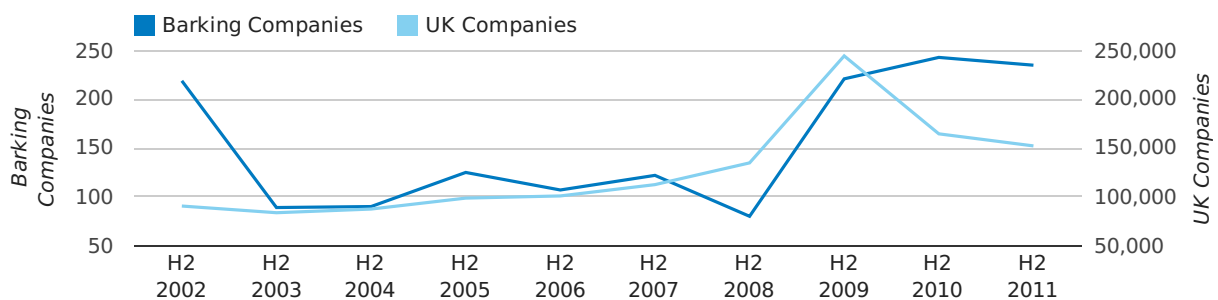
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 235 companies were dissolved in Barking. This figure is 3.3% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Barking occurred in 2010 when a total of 243 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BARKING	UK
2011	235	152,213
2010	243	164,601
% CHANGE	-3.3%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (243)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

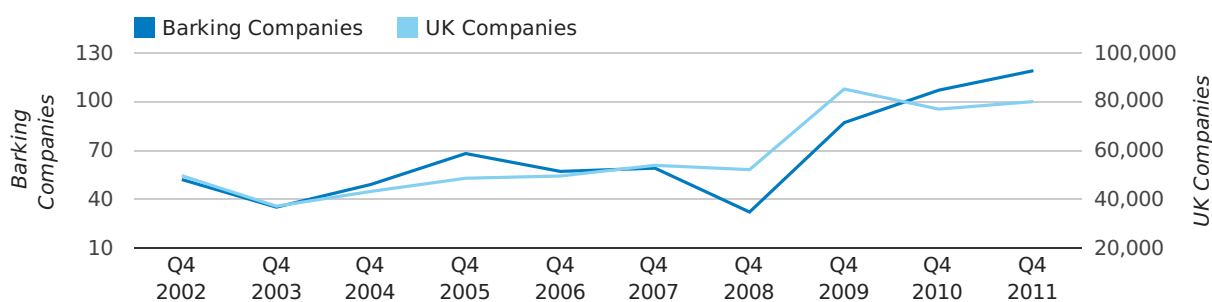
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Barking when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 119 companies were dissolved in Barking during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 11.2% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BARKING	UK
2011	119	79,983
2010	107	76,896
% CHANGE	11.2%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (119)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter

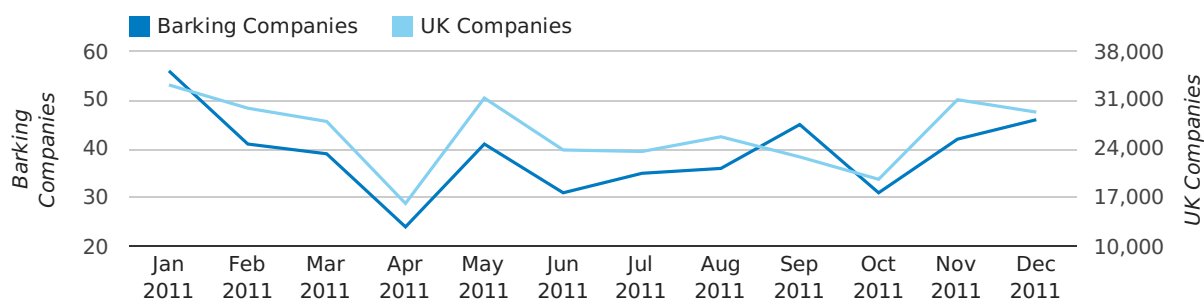


Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Barking when compared to any previous December.

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dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	31	42	46
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	57	40	10
% CHANGE	-45.6%	5.0%	360%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (57)	2011 (42)	2011 (46)

Annual Data (2011)

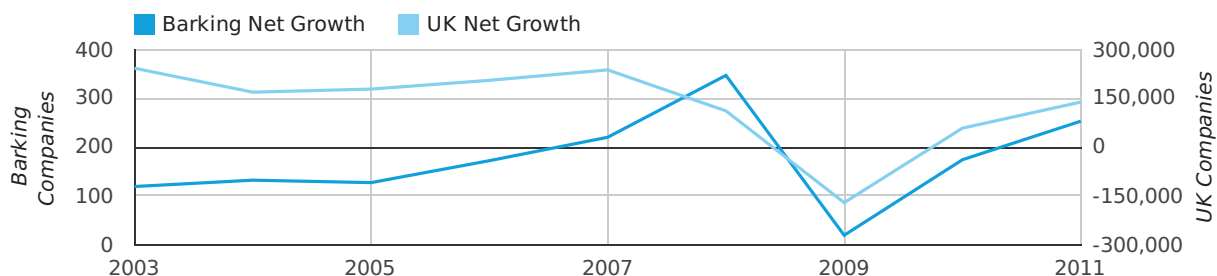
A total of 253 companies were added to the company register for Barking in 2011. This number represents growth of 39.8% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 79 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2008 when the Barking company register grew by 347 companies.

YEAR	BARKING	UK
2011	253	138,347
2010	174	58,126
2009	19	-171,098
2008	347	111,302
2007	220	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2008 (347)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

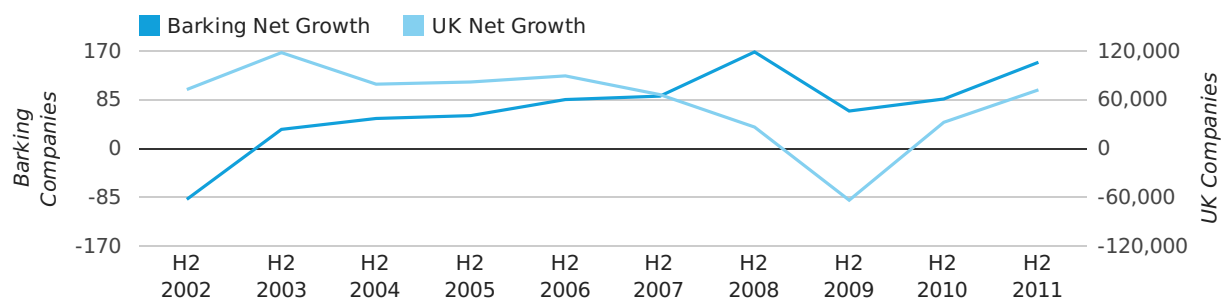


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Barking increased by 150 companies. This figure is 74.4% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BARKING	UK
2011	150	71,922
2010	86	32,008
% CHANGE	74.4%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (168)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



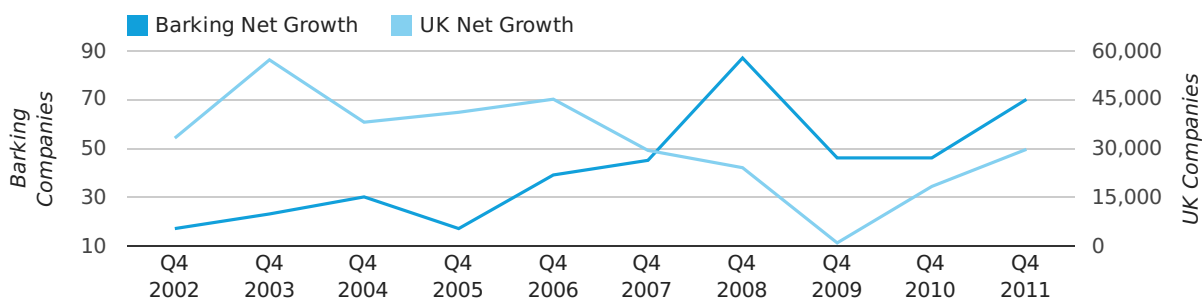
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Barking during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 70 companies.

This represents an increase of 52.2% on the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BARKING	UK
2011	70	29,640
2010	46	18,221
% CHANGE	52.2%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (87)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter

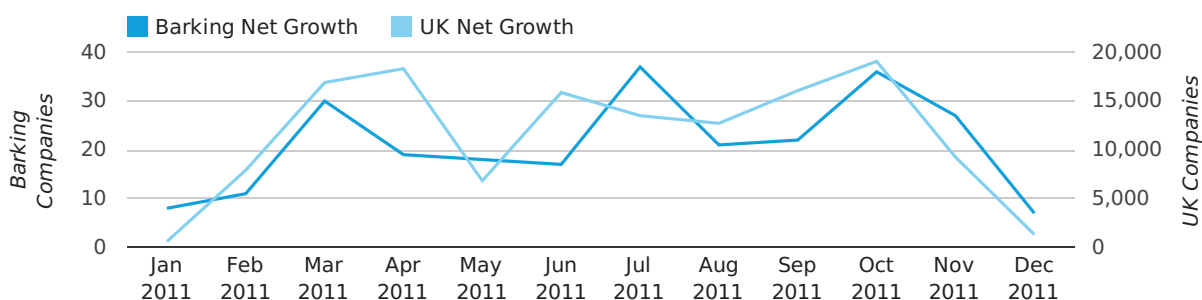


Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

November 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Barking when compared to any previous November.

October 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Barking when compared to any previous October.

net growth by month



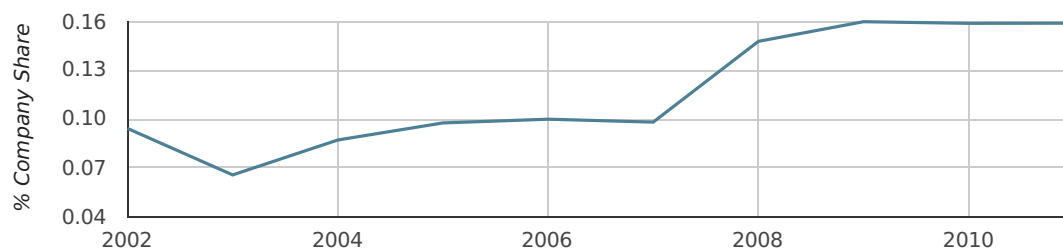
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	36	27	7
NET GROWTH IN 2010	8	12	26
% CHANGE	350.0%	125.0%	-73.1%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (36)	2011 (27)	2008 (27)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Barking formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Barking was responsible for 0.2% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BARKING
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2009 (0.2%)

company share by year



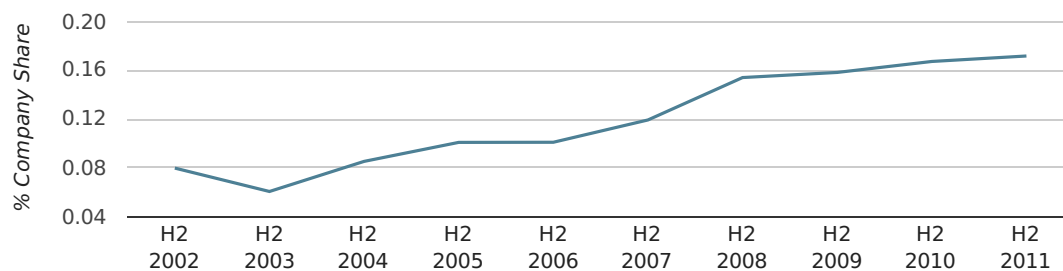
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The second half of 2011 saw a new record in UK company share in Barking when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 Barking formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BARKING
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2011 (0.2%)

company share by half year

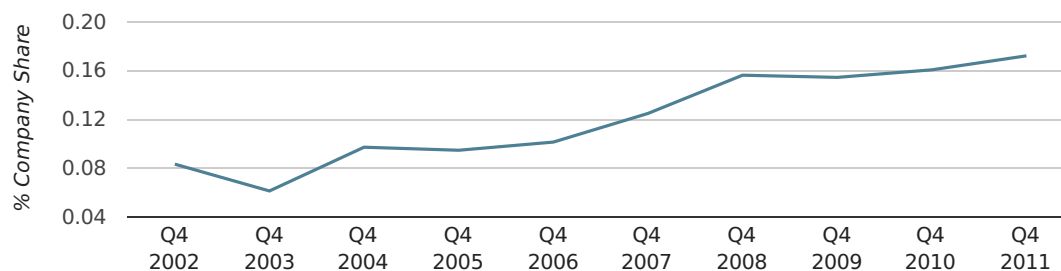


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Barking formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

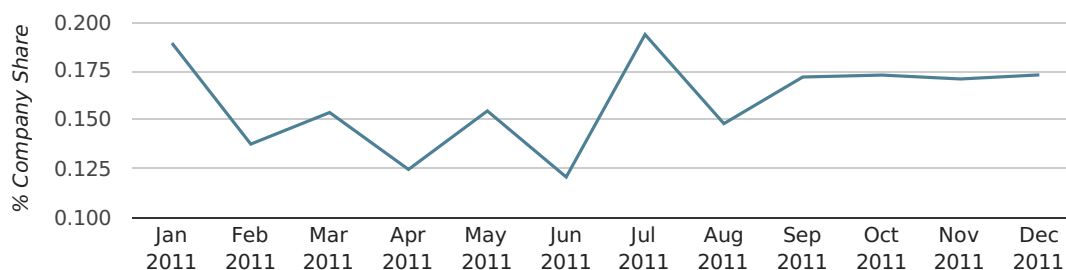
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BARKING
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-10.4%	13.0%	30.5%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (0.5%)	1961 (0.3%)	1968 (0.4%)

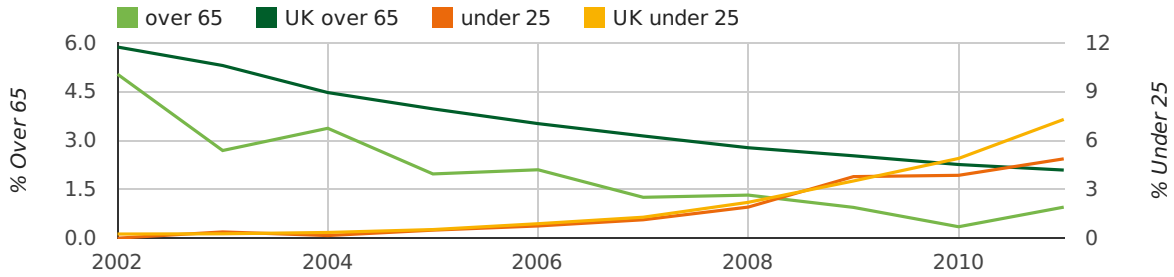
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 37.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



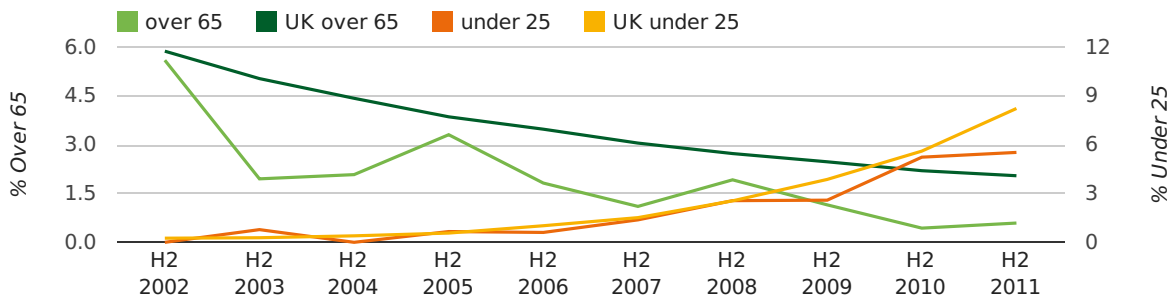
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 37.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 0.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



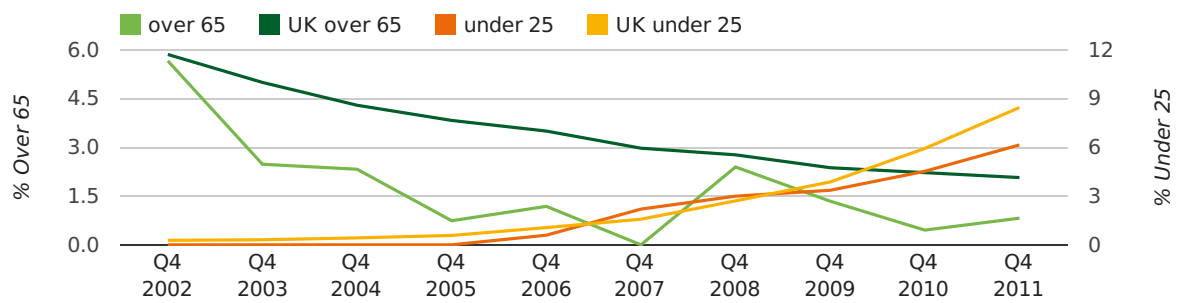
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director age by quarter

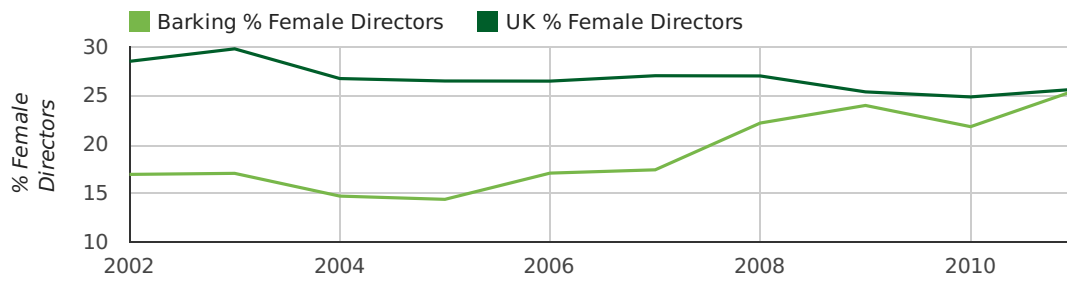


Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Barking was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Barking in 2011 was 17.0%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

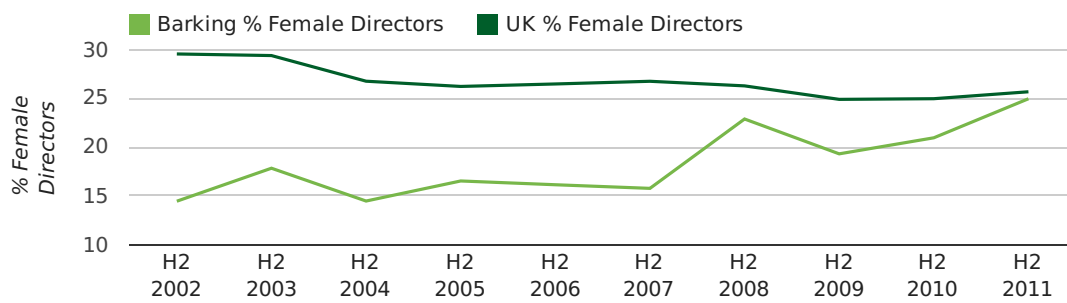


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Barking was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

25.0% of all director appointments in Barking in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

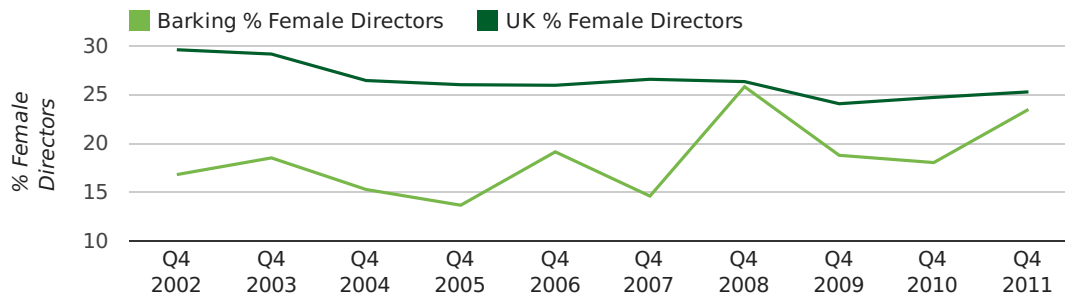


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Barking was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

23.5% of all director appointments in Barking in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTANCY	1.36%	CONSULTING	5.07%
SECURITY	1.19%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
TRADING	1.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
LONDON	0.85%	PROPERTY	2.37%
GLOBAL	0.85%	TRADING	2.07%
IT	0.76%	DESIGN	1.92%
CONSULTING	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
CENTRE	0.68%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
BUSINESS	0.68%	BUSINESS	1.78%
CARE	0.68%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
TRADERS	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
CONTRACTORS	0.68%	MEDIA	1.71%
CONSULTANTS	0.68%	LONDON	1.63%
EDUCATION	0.59%	J	1.51%
INTERNATIONAL	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CLEANING	0.59%	GLOBAL	1.46%
BUILDING	0.59%	IT	1.41%
MANAGEMENT	0.51%	CARE	1.39%
COMMUNITY	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
SCHOOL	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
CO	0.51%	M	1.27%
STAR	0.42%	BUILDING	1.26%
CO.	0.42%	ENERGY	1.25%
INVESTMENTS	0.42%	S	1.20%
FOR	0.42%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	483	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	65	57,052
9305 - Other service activities	32	9,492
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	28	11,768
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	26	12,072
9999 - Dormant Company	22	20,199
99999 - Dormant Company	18	21,846
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	17	32,483
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	17	17,765
7260 - Other computer related activities	16	7,667
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	16	7,398
7414 - Business & management consultancy	15	13,034
62090 - Other information technology service activities	14	7,493
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	10	2,598
80100 - Private security activities	9	1,005
7470 - Other cleaning activities	8	1,319
88990 - Other social work activities without accommodation not elsewhere classified	8	1,567
7499 - Non-trading company	8	9,957
41100 - Development of building projects	7	4,331
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	7	3,633