Basildon

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Basildon when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Basildon when compared to any half year in history.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Basildon when compared to any previous May.
- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Basildon when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for net growth in Basildon when compared to any half year in history.

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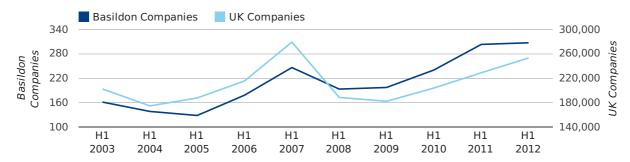
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Basildon when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 307 companies were formed in Basildon. This figure is 1.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Basildon occurred in 2012 when a total of 307 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BASILDON	UK
2012	307	253,150
2011	303	228,735
% CHANGE	1.3%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (307)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



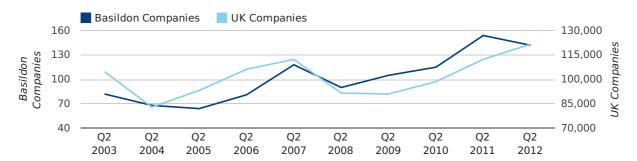
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 142 companies were registered in Basildon during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 7.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

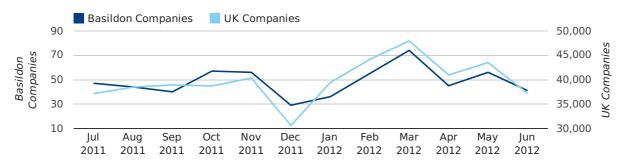
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BASILDON	UK
2012	142	121,659
2011	154	112,344
% CHANGE	-7.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (154)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Basildon when compared to any previous May.

new companies by month



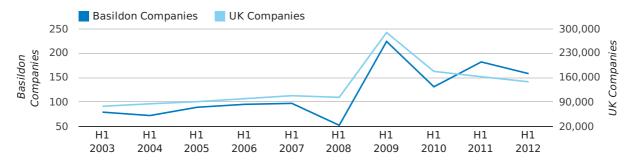
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	45	56	41
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	44	52	58
% CHANGE	2.3%	7.7%	-29.3%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (51)	2012 (56)	2011 (58)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 158 companies were dissolved in Basildon. This figure is 13.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Basildon occurred in 2009 when a total of 224 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BASILDON	UK
2012	158	147,793
2011	182	162,310
% CHANGE	-13.2%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (224)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



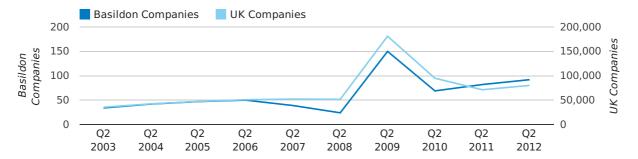
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 92 companies were dissolved in Basildon during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

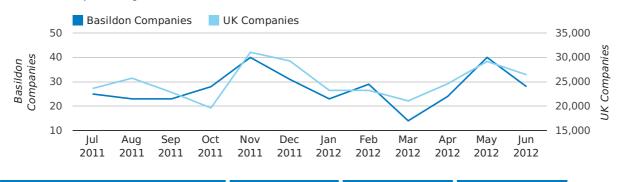
This figure is an increase of 12.2% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BASILDON	UK
2012	92	80,217
2011	82	71,324
% CHANGE	12.2%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (150)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	24	40	28
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	13	36	33
% CHANGE	84.6%	11.1%	-15%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (50)	2009 (60)	2009 (40)

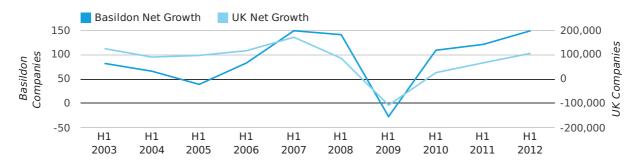
The first half of 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Basildon when compared to any previous first half year.

The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for net growth in Basildon when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Basildon increased by 149 companies. This figure is 23.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BASILDON	UK
2012	149	105,357
2011	121	66,425
% CHANGE	23.1%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (149)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



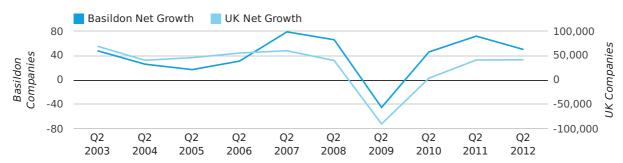
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Basildon during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 50 companies.

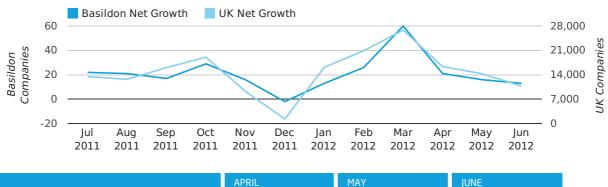
This represents a decrease of 30.6% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BASILDON	UK
2012	50	41,442
2011	72	41,020
% CHANGE	-30.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (79)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

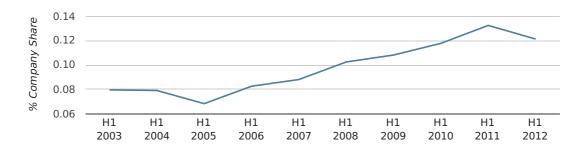


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	21	16	13
NET GROWTH IN 2011	31	16	25
% CHANGE	-32.3%	0.0%	-48.0%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (48)	1997 (23)	2008 (28)

In the first half of 2012 Basildon formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BASILDON
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1997 (0.2%)

company share by half year

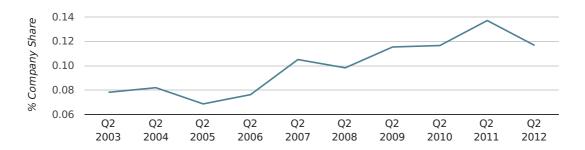


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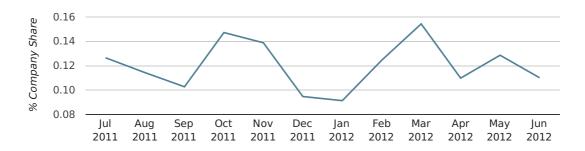
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SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BASILDON
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1997 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



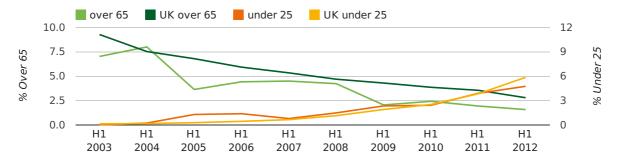
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-13.9%	-5.6%	-24.5%
RECORD YEAR	1984 (0.2%)	1975 (0.3%)	1969 (0.4%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 41.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



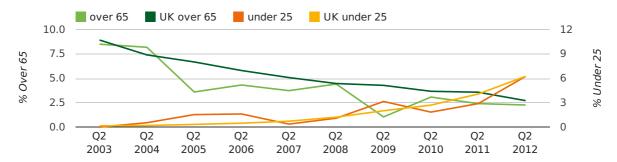
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 40.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.3% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

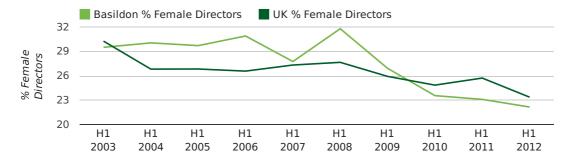
director age by quarter



The record first half year for female directors in Basildon was 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

22.2% of all director appointments in Basildon in the first half of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 23.4% for the same period.

director gender by half year

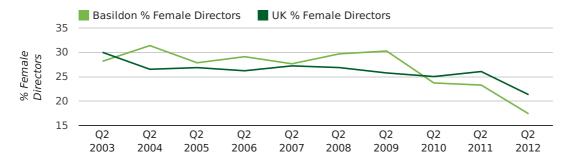


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The record second quarter for female directors in Basildon was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

17.4% of all director appointments in Basildon in the second quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 21.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2011-Jun 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
PROPERTY	1.38%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	1.09%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	0.99%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
CONSULTING	0.89%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSTRUCTION	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
ELECTRICAL	0.79%	DESIGN	1.89%
CONSULTANTS	0.79%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
MAINTENANCE	0.69%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
ENGINEERING	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
SECURITY	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
ESSEX	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.70%
SUPPORT	0.59%	MEDIA	1.69%
Т	0.59%	LONDON	1.68%
CONTRACTS	0.49%	J	1.57%
COMMERCIAL	0.49%	GLOBAL	1.51%
TRANSPORT	0.49%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
IT	0.49%	IT	1.42%
S	0.49%	CARE	1.31%
BUILDING	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ENTERPRISES	0.49%	М	1.26%
LONDON	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
J	0.49%	BUILDING	1.23%
DESIGN	0.49%	SECURITY	1.19%
ROBERT	0.40%	S	1.18%
MECHANICAL	0.40%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	309	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	50	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	40	20,390
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	37	35,447
9999 - Dormant Company	29	16,469
99999 - Dormant Company	26	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	22	15,280
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	15	14,220
41100 - Development of building projects	14	5,149
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	13	3,241
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	13	6,356
43210 - Electrical installation	12	3,557
7414 - Business & management consultancy	12	10,978
7260 - Other computer related activities	11	6,456
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	11	4,644
4534 - Other building installation	10	1,741
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	4,091
4545 - Other building completion	8	1,943
62090 - Other information technology service activities	8	8,258
86900 - Other human health activities	8	5,222