

Bath

2011 half year business confidence report



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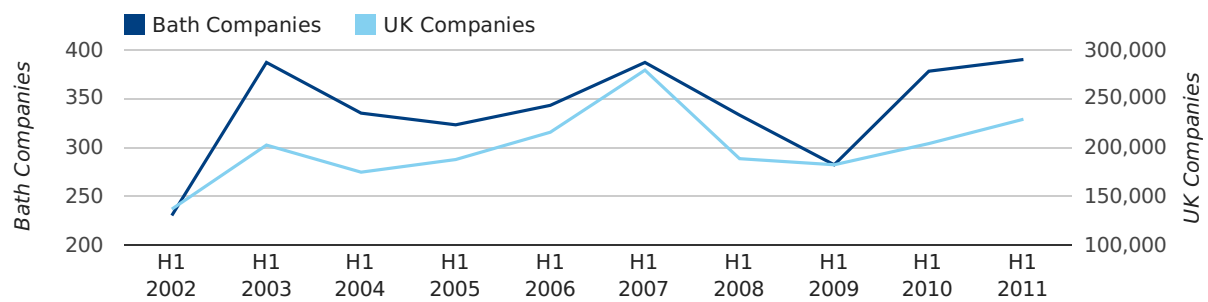
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Bath when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 390 companies were formed in Bath. This figure is 3.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Bath occurred in 2011 when a total of 390 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BATH	UK
2011	390	228,735
2010	378	203,749
% CHANGE	3.2%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (390)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



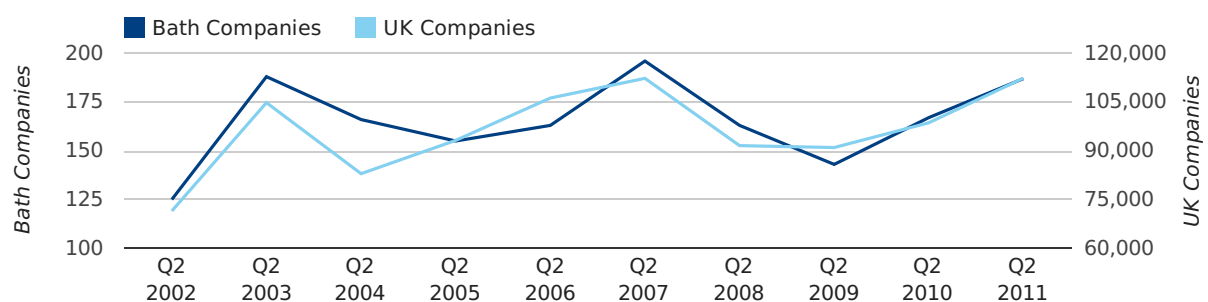
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 187 companies were registered in Bath during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 12.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	187	112,344
2010	167	98,612
% CHANGE	12.0%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (196)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	61	67	59
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	55	49	63
% CHANGE	10.9%	36.7%	-6.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (73)	2003 (68)	2010 (63)

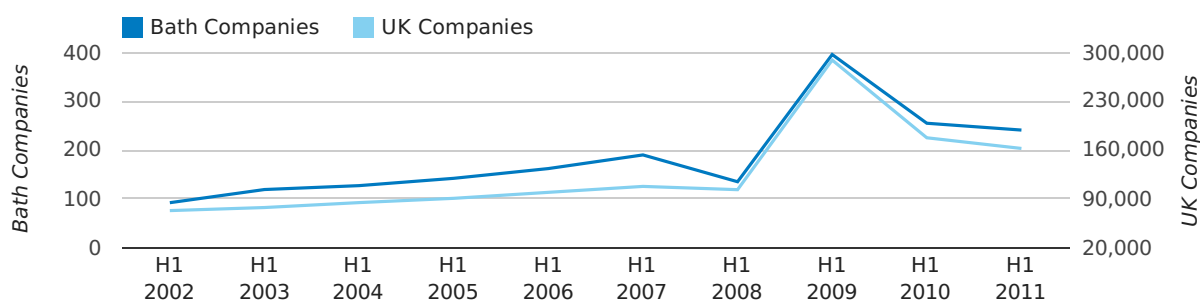
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 241 companies were dissolved in Bath. This figure is 5.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Bath occurred in 2009 when a total of 396 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BATH	UK
2011	241	162,310
2010	255	177,631
% CHANGE	-5.5%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (396)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



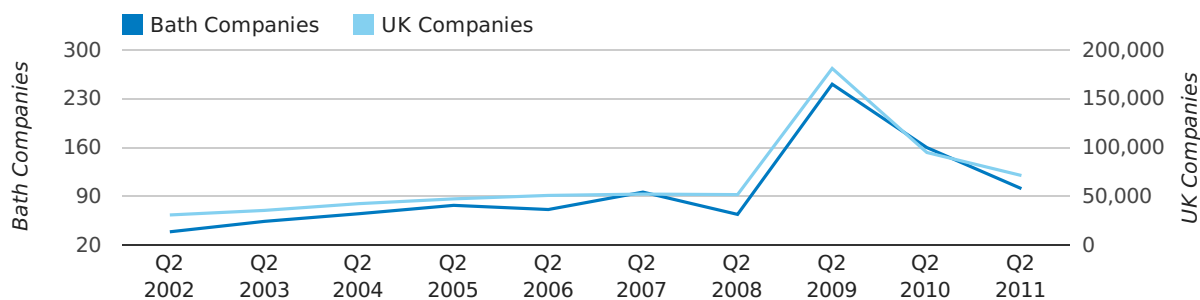
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 101 companies were dissolved in Bath during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 36.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

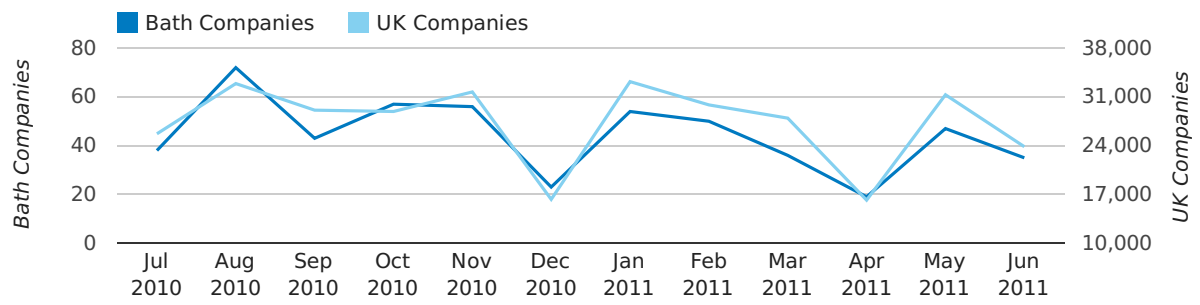
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	101	71,324
2010	160	94,954
% CHANGE	-36.9%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (251)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



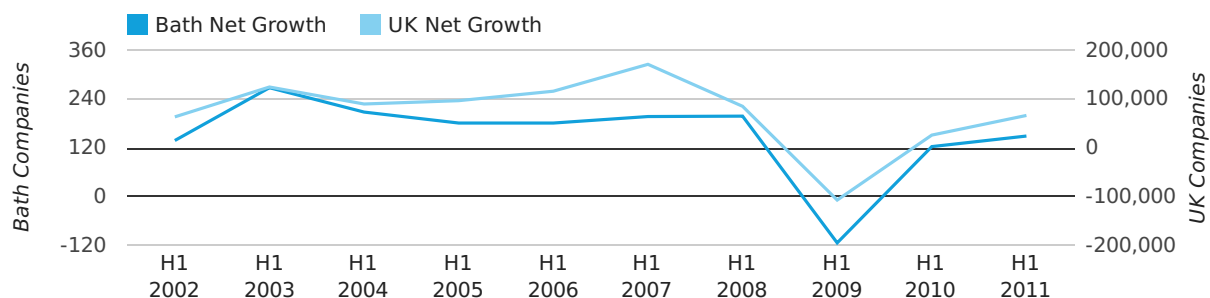
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	19	47	35
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	39	56	65
% CHANGE	-51.3%	-16.1%	-46%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (58)	2009 (125)	2009 (68)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Bath increased by 149 companies. This figure is 21.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BATH	UK
2011	149	66,425
2010	123	26,118
% CHANGE	21.1%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (268)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



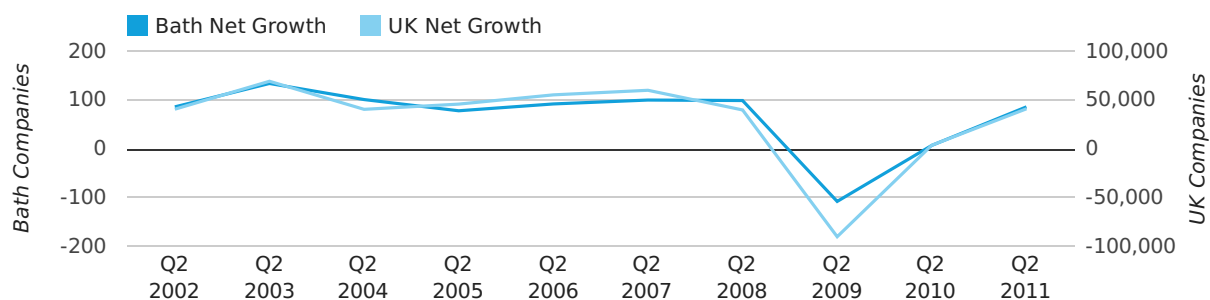
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Bath during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 86 companies.

This represents an increase of 1,128.6% on the same period last year.

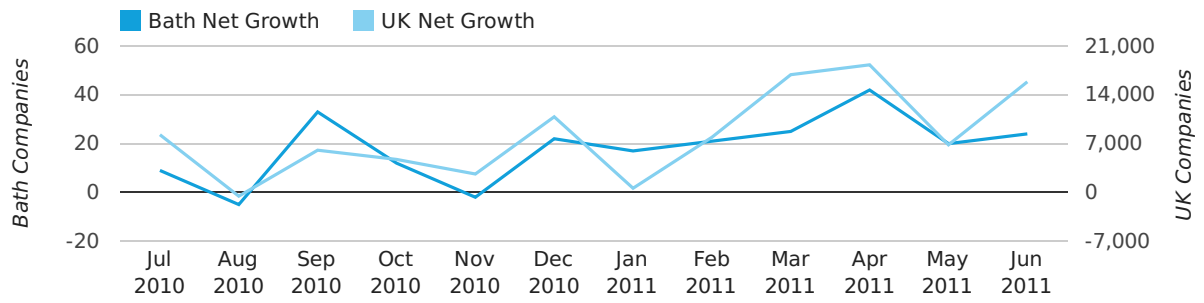
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	86	41,020
2010	7	3,658
% CHANGE	1,128.6%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (134)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



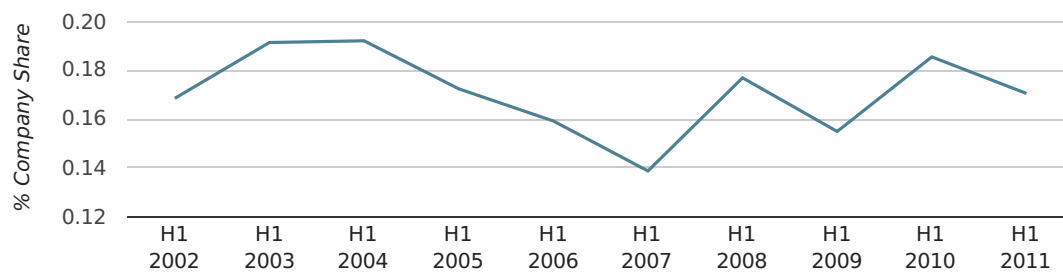
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	42	20	24
NET GROWTH IN 2010	16	-7	-2
% CHANGE	162.5%	-385.7%	-1,300.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (55)	2003 (49)	2008 (50)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BATH
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1981 (0.5%)

company share by half year

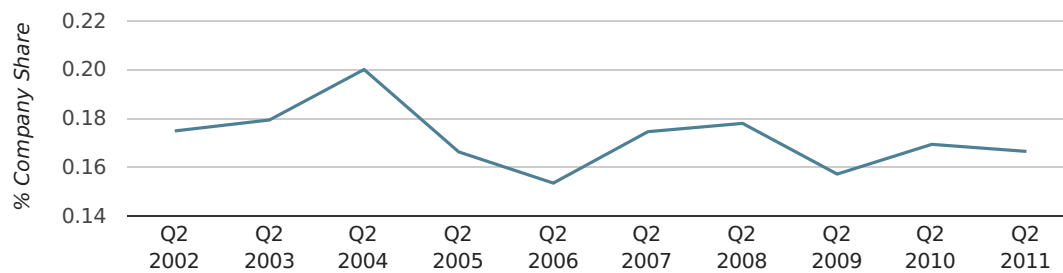


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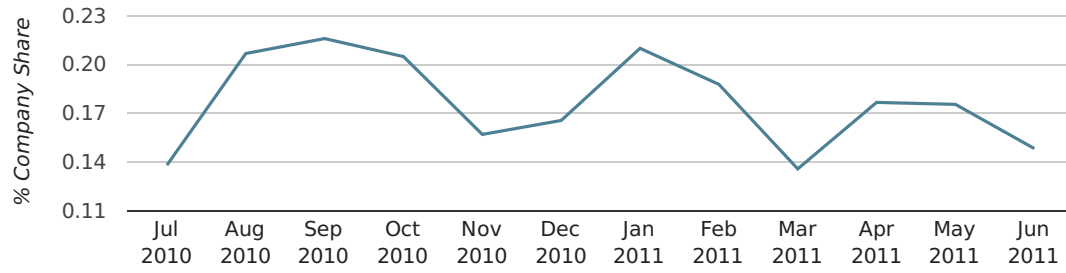
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2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1981 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	7.3%	7.7%	-17.0%
RECORD YEAR	1970 (0.6%)	1979 (0.5%)	1978 (0.5%)

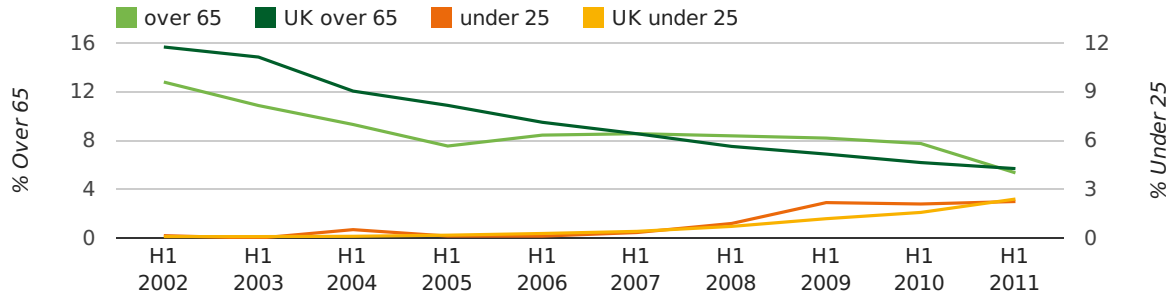
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



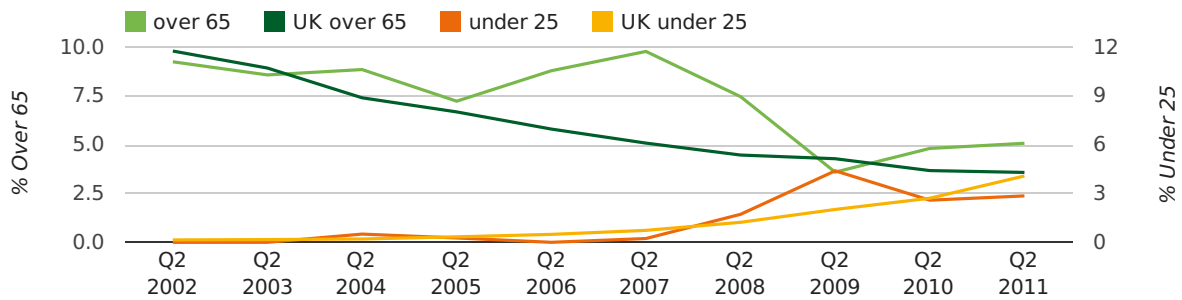
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The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 45.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

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director age by quarter

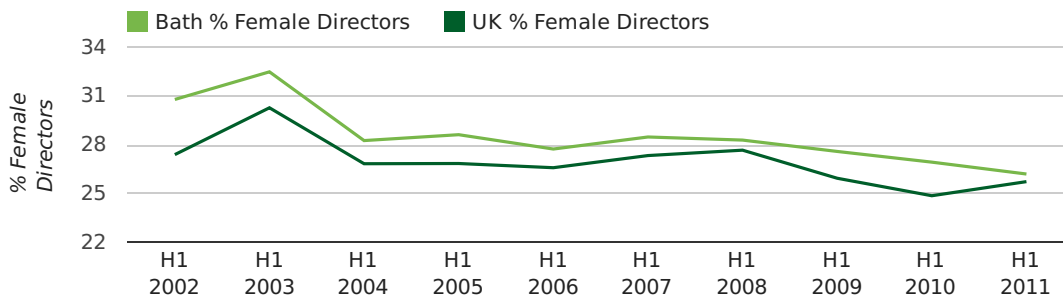


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The record first half year for female directors in Bath was 1857 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

26.2% of all director appointments in Bath in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

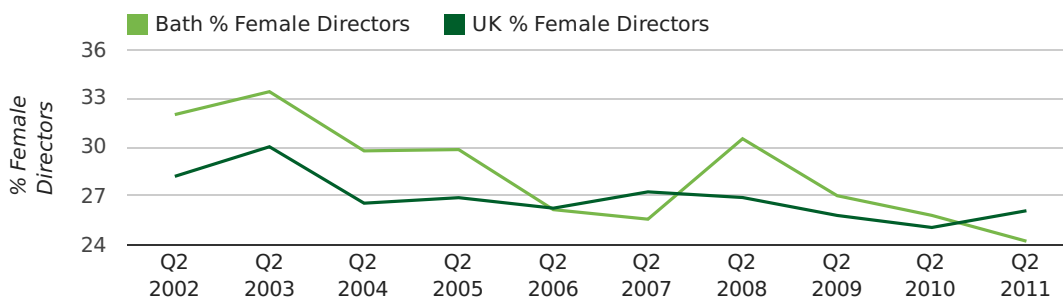


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

24.2% of all director appointments in Bath in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
BATH	2.73%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTING	2.01%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
MANAGEMENT	1.85%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
(BATH)	1.44%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CONSULTANCY	0.88%	TRADING	2.05%
ASSOCIATES	0.80%	DESIGN	1.94%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
PROPERTY	0.72%	BUSINESS	1.87%
FOR	0.56%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
DIGITAL	0.56%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
INVESTMENTS	0.56%	MEDIA	1.73%
SECURITY	0.48%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
MUSIC	0.48%	LONDON	1.60%
MEDIA	0.48%	GLOBAL	1.46%
COMMUNICATIONS	0.48%	J	1.44%
BUSINESS	0.48%	CARE	1.44%
TRADING	0.48%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
DESIGN	0.48%	IT	1.39%
WORLD	0.48%	BUILDING	1.32%
WEST	0.40%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
FOUNDATION	0.40%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
SOFTWARE	0.40%	M	1.27%
IT	0.40%	S	1.23%
CARE	0.40%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
SCHOOL	0.40%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	235	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	76	60,758
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	51	16,419
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	44	30,647
7414 - Business & management consultancy	42	13,053
9999 - Dormant Company	32	20,111
99999 - Dormant Company	28	18,918
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	25	10,322
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	7,835
74990 - Non-trading company	22	8,481
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	22	7,143
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	18	10,545
98000 - Residents property management	16	2,888
7499 - Non-trading company	15	10,955
9305 - Other service activities	15	9,063
62090 - Other information technology service activities	13	7,095
5530 - Restaurants	13	5,086
56302 - Public houses and bars	11	1,900
7260 - Other computer related activities	11	7,849
41100 - Development of building projects	10	3,852