

Bath

q3 2011 business confidence report



headlines

- Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous Q3.
- August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous August.
- July 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous July.

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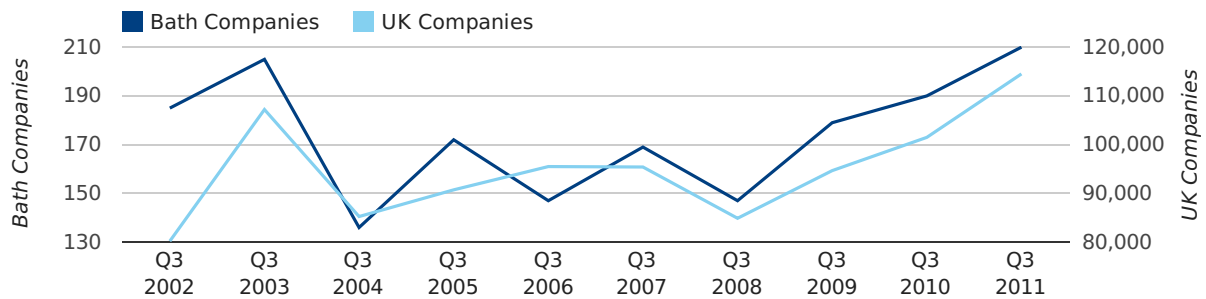
Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous Q3.

A total of 210 companies were registered in Bath during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 10.5% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	210	114,512
2010	190	101,492
% CHANGE	10.5%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (210)	2011 (114,512)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous August.

July 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bath when compared to any previous July.

new companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	70	77	63
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	47	67	76
% CHANGE	48.9%	14.9%	-17.1%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (70)	2011 (77)	2003 (87)

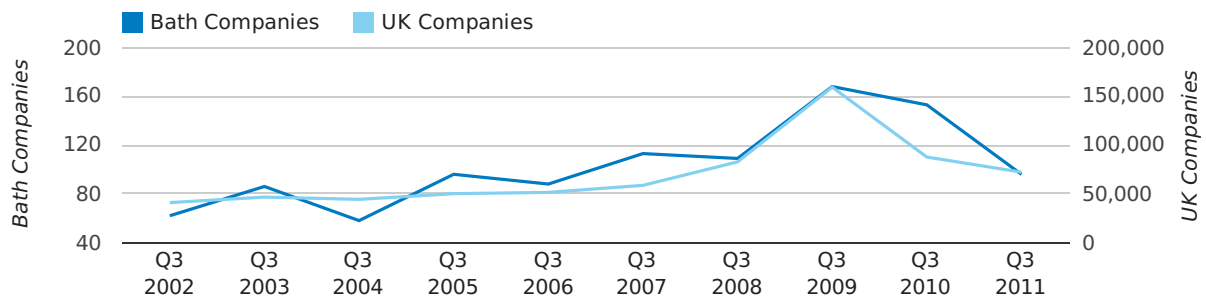
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

A total of 96 companies were dissolved in Bath during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 37.3% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	96	72,230
2010	153	87,705
% CHANGE	-37.3%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (168)	2009 (159,401)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	32	30	34
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	38	72	43
% CHANGE	-15.8%	-58.3%	-21%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (45)	2008 (74)	2009 (75)

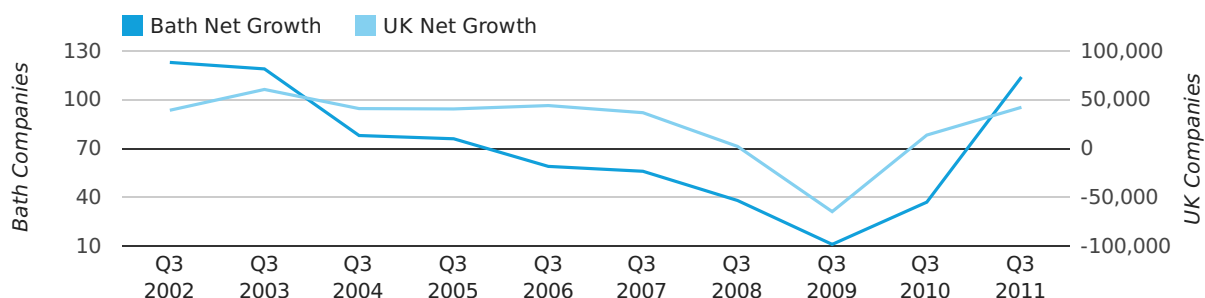
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

Net company growth for Bath during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 114 companies.

This represents an increase of 208.1% on the same period last year.

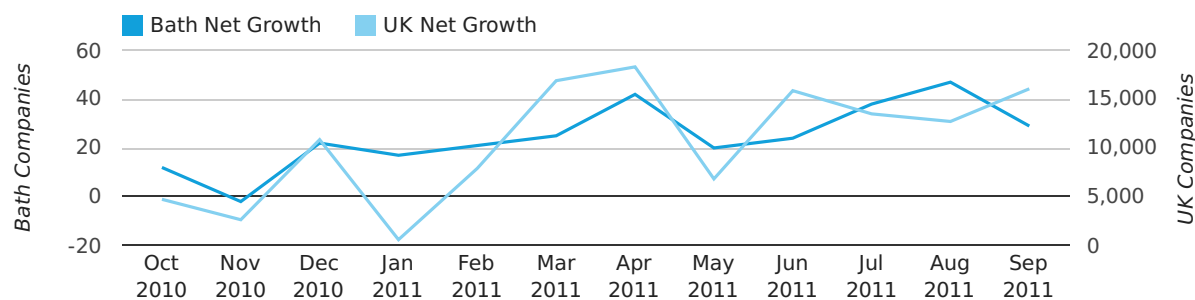
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	BATH	UK
2011	114	42,282
2010	37	13,787
% CHANGE	208.1%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (123)	2003 (60,597)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

net growth by month



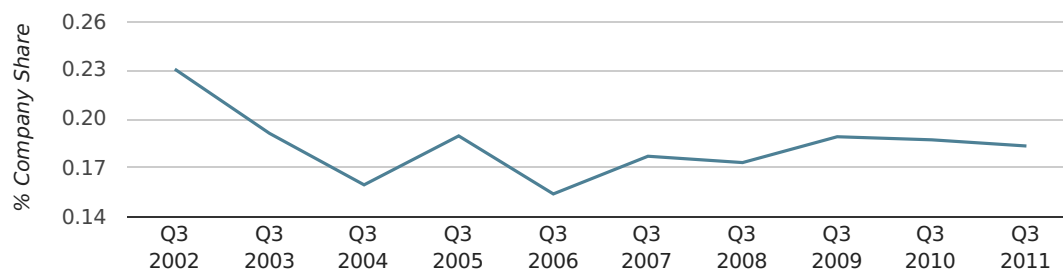
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	38	47	29
NET GROWTH IN 2010	9	-5	33
% CHANGE	322.2%	-1,040.0%	-12.1%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (54)	2002 (51)	2002 (57)

Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

In the third quarter of 2011, Bath formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

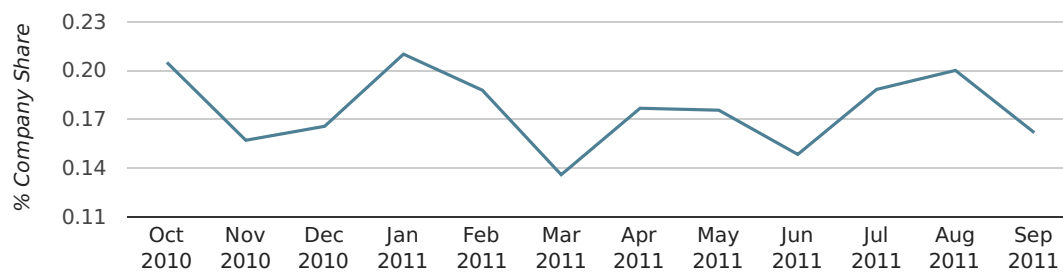
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	BATH
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1981 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	36.3%	-3.3%	-25.1%
RECORD YEAR	1987 (0.5%)	1966 (0.5%)	1981 (0.6%)

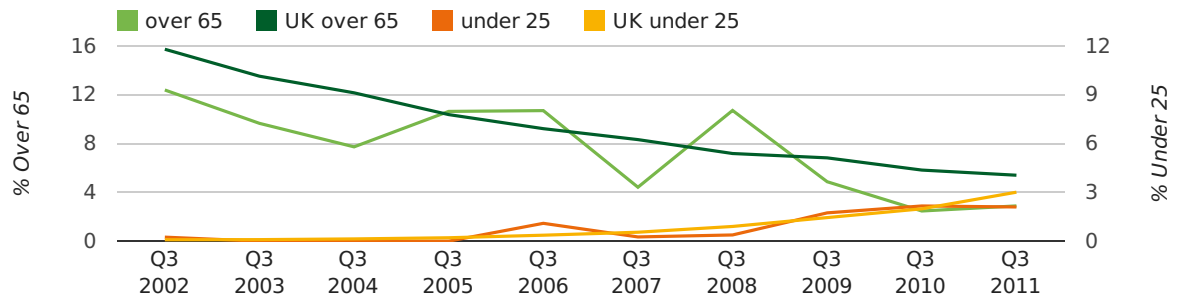
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 45.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

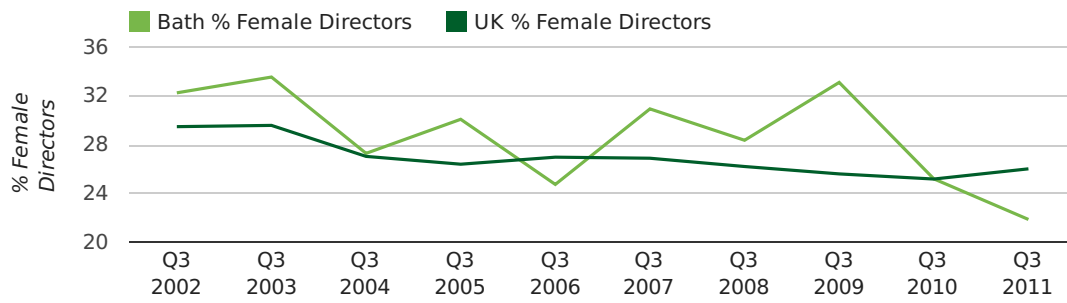


Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The record third quarter for female directors in Bath was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

21.9% of all director appointments in Bath in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
BATH	2.49%	CONSULTING	5.11%
CONSULTING	1.94%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
(BATH)	1.55%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
MANAGEMENT	1.40%	PROPERTY	2.41%
CONSULTANCY	1.01%	TRADING	2.06%
ASSOCIATES	0.93%	DESIGN	1.94%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
SOFTWARE	0.54%	BUSINESS	1.82%
WEST	0.54%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
TRADING	0.47%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
PROPERTY	0.47%	MEDIA	1.72%
MARKETING	0.47%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
P	0.47%	LONDON	1.63%
MEDIA	0.47%	J	1.47%
DESIGN	0.47%	GLOBAL	1.46%
DIGITAL	0.47%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
CONSTRUCTION	0.47%	CARE	1.42%
PRESTIGE	0.39%	IT	1.38%
WORLD	0.39%	BUILDING	1.30%
SCHOOL	0.39%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
FOR	0.39%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
CS	0.39%	M	1.25%
INVESTMENTS	0.39%	ENERGY	1.22%
CONSULTANTS	0.39%	TRAINING	1.21%
PARTNERS	0.39%	S	1.21%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	249	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	85	65,177
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	50	15,760
7414 - Business & management consultancy	45	14,755
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	43	29,245
9999 - Dormant Company	37	22,587
99999 - Dormant Company	26	18,281
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	25	10,018
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	23	7,551
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	23	8,345
74990 - Non-trading company	21	8,064
9305 - Other service activities	16	10,525
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	15	10,137
98000 - Residents property management	15	2,664
7499 - Non-trading company	14	11,543
7260 - Other computer related activities	12	8,686
5530 - Restaurants	12	5,640
62090 - Other information technology service activities	11	6,798
56302 - Public houses and bars	11	1,873
70100 - Activities of head offices	10	2,479