

Benfleet

2011 half year business confidence report



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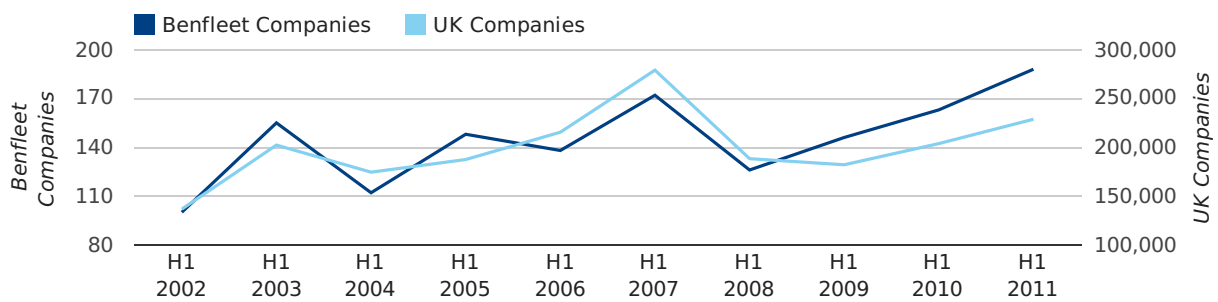
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Benfleet when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 188 companies were formed in Benfleet. This figure is 15.3% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Benfleet occurred in 2011 when a total of 188 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	188	228,735
2010	163	203,749
% CHANGE	15.3%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (188)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



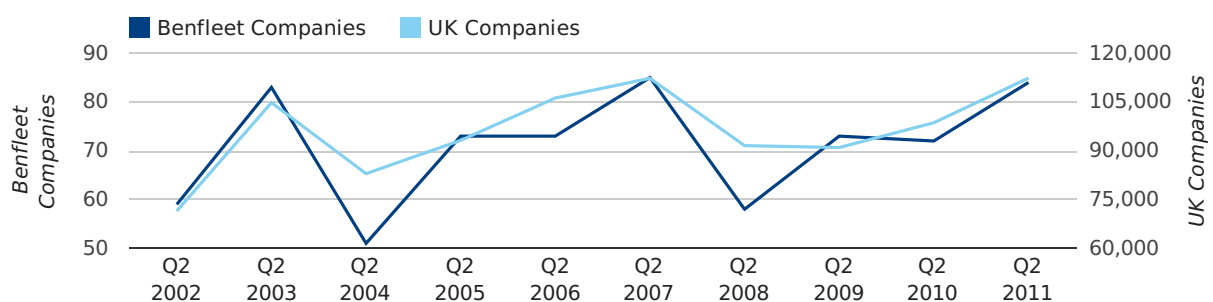
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 84 companies were registered in Benfleet during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 16.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well 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)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	84	112,344
2010	72	98,612
% CHANGE	16.7%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (85)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	23	26	35
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	20	31	21
% CHANGE	15.0%	-16.1%	66.7%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (40)	2006 (31)	2003 (36)

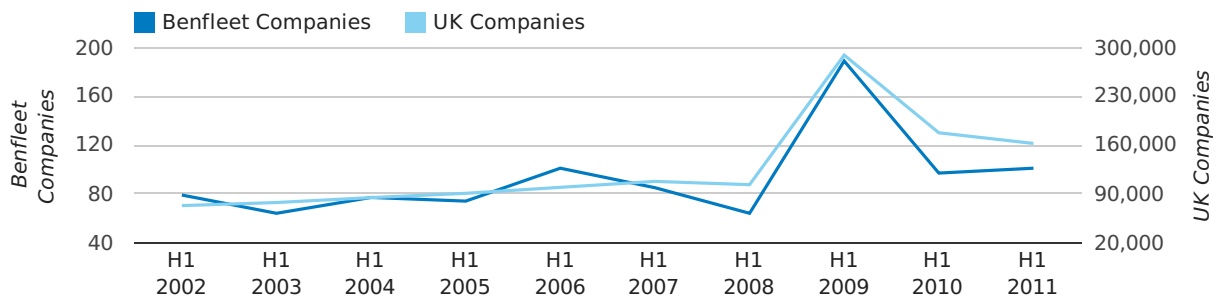
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 101 companies were dissolved in Benfleet. This figure is 4.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Benfleet occurred in 2009 when a total of 189 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	101	162,310
2010	97	177,631
% CHANGE	4.1%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (189)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



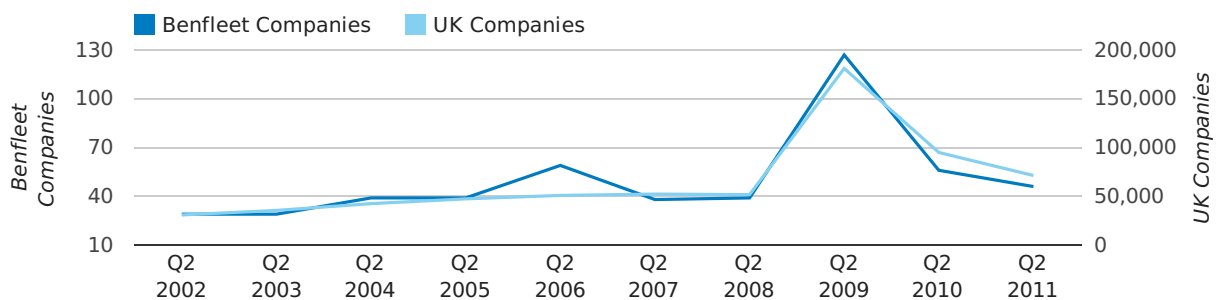
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 46 companies were dissolved in Benfleet during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 17.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly 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)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	46	71,324
2010	56	94,954
% CHANGE	-17.9%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (127)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



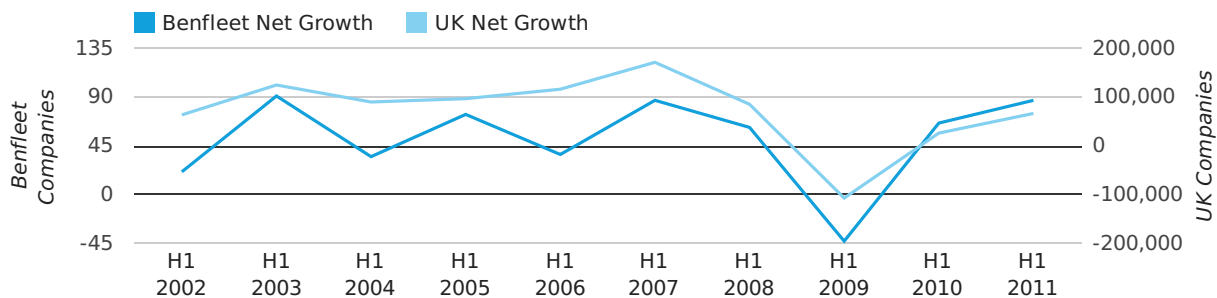
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	7	23	16
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	12	23	21
% CHANGE	-41.7%	0.0%	-24%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (28)	2009 (58)	2009 (41)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Benfleet increased by 87 companies. This figure is 31.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	87	66,425
2010	66	26,118
% CHANGE	31.8%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (91)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



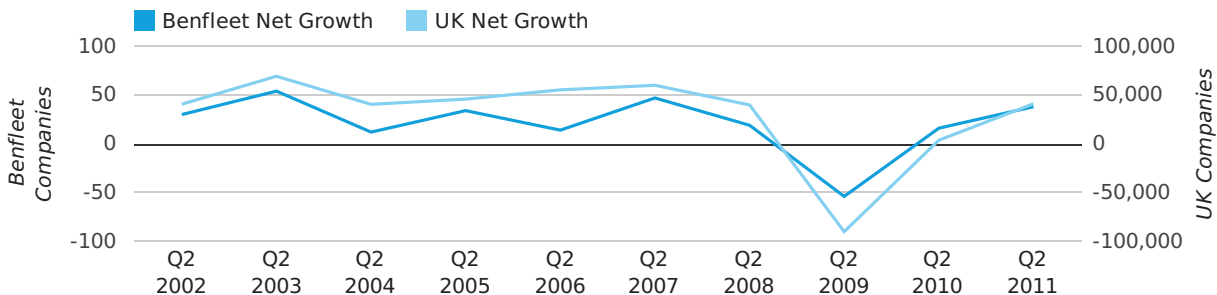
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Benfleet during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 38 companies.

This represents an increase of 137.5% on the same period last year.

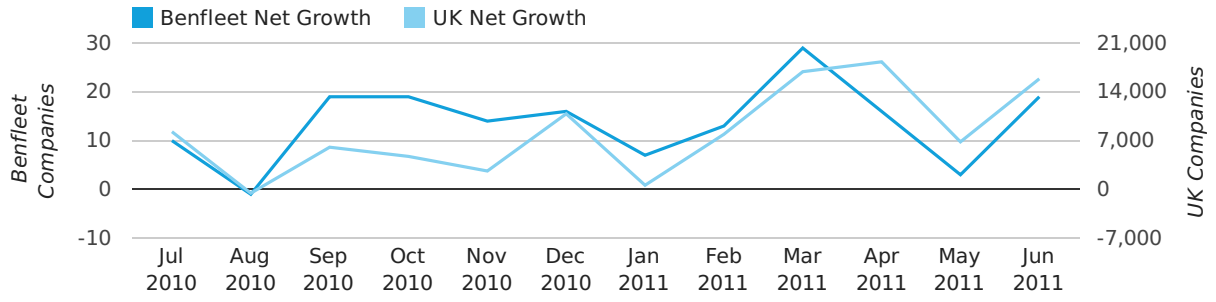
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BENFLEET	UK
2011	38	41,020
2010	16	3,658
% CHANGE	137.5%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (54)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



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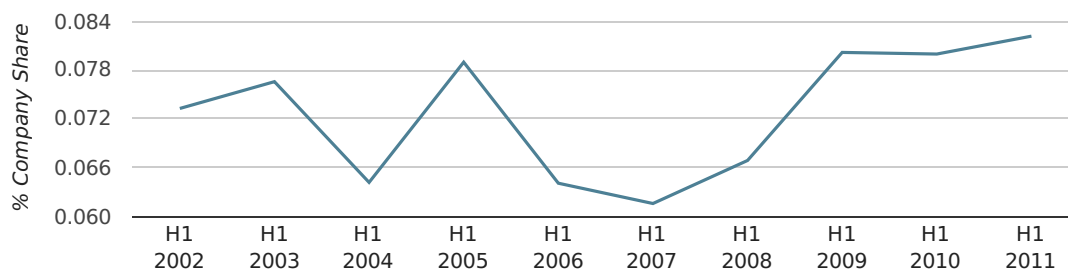
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	16	3	19
NET GROWTH IN 2010	8	8	0
% CHANGE	100.0%	-62.5%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (37)	2006 (17)	2003 (31)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Benfleet formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

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

company share by half year

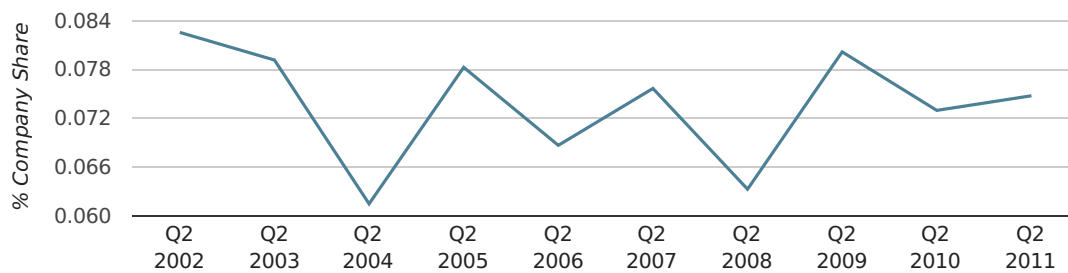


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

In the second quarter of 2011, Benfleet formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

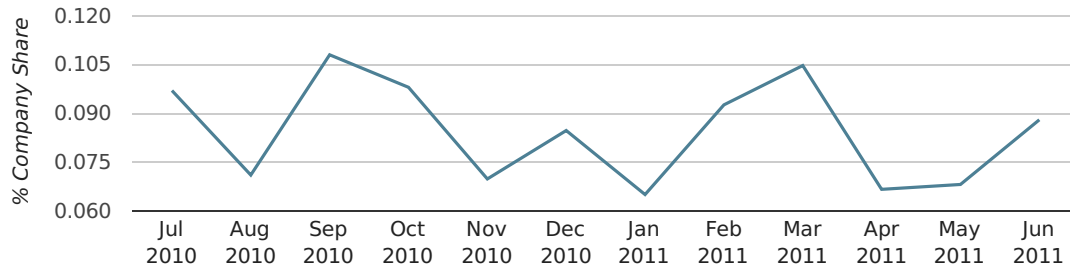
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BENFLEET
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	11.4%	-33.9%	47.6%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.2%)	1960 (0.3%)	1966 (0.4%)

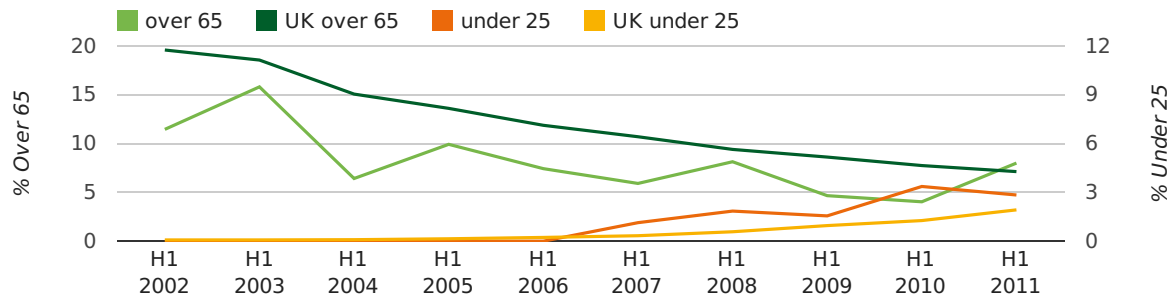
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 8.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



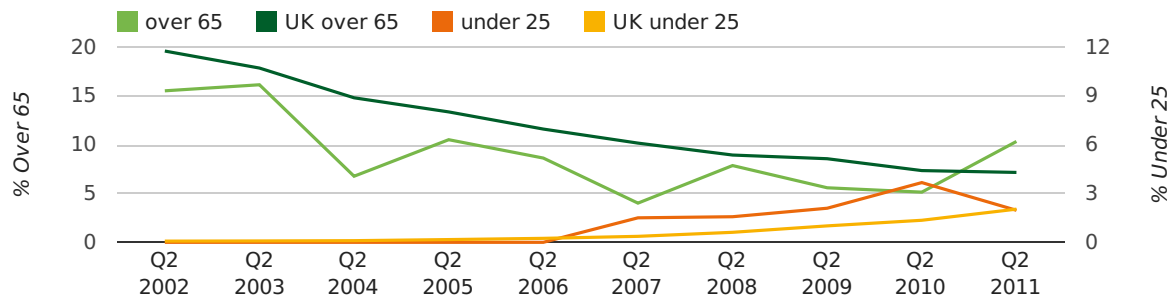
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 48.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 10.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

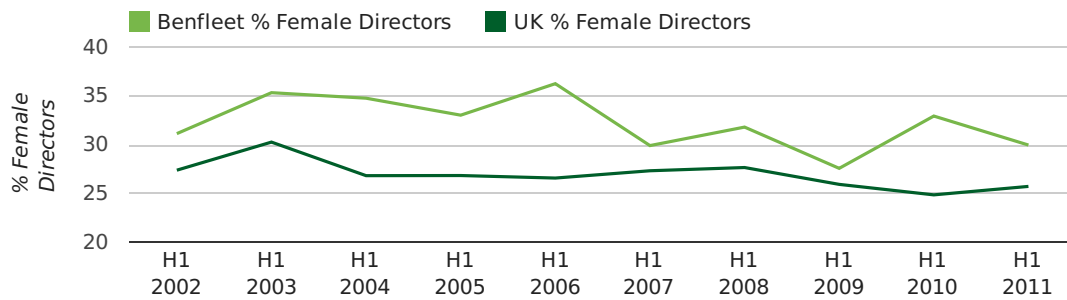


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

30.0% of all director appointments in Benfleet 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

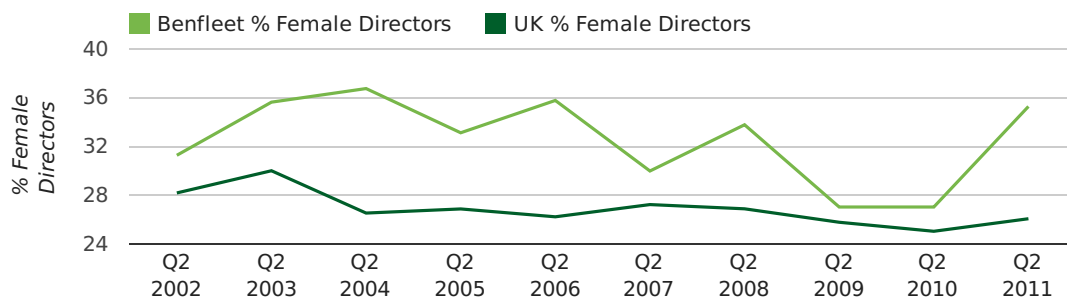


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

35.3% of all director appointments in Benfleet 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
PROPERTY	1.44%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTANCY	1.44%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
ESSEX	1.28%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
CONSTRUCTION	1.28%	PROPERTY	2.43%
MANAGEMENT	1.12%	TRADING	2.05%
SCHOOL	1.12%	DESIGN	1.94%
MAINTENANCE	1.12%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
BENFLEET	1.12%	BUSINESS	1.87%
BUILDING	0.96%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
B	0.96%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
C	0.96%	MEDIA	1.73%
CONSULTING	0.96%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
G	0.96%	LONDON	1.60%
S	0.96%	GLOBAL	1.46%
J	0.80%	J	1.44%
(ESSEX)	0.80%	CARE	1.44%
L	0.80%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
DESIGN	0.80%	IT	1.39%
CONSULTANTS	0.80%	BUILDING	1.32%
T	0.80%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
BUSINESS	0.80%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
ACADEMY	0.80%	M	1.27%
ENTERPRISES	0.64%	S	1.23%
W	0.64%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
AUTOHIRE	0.64%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	111	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	77	60,758
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	26	10,322
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	21	30,647
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	18	16,419
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	14	2,641
4545 - Other building completion	12	2,456
9999 - Dormant Company	12	20,111
99999 - Dormant Company	12	18,918
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	13,053
7260 - Other computer related activities	9	7,849
5530 - Restaurants	8	5,086
43210 - Electrical installation	8	3,085
74100 - specialised design activities	6	1,335
49410 - Freight transport by road	6	2,142
4534 - Other building installation	6	2,274
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	6	2,223
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	6	2,238
62090 - Other information technology service activities	5	7,095
4533 - Plumbing	5	1,453