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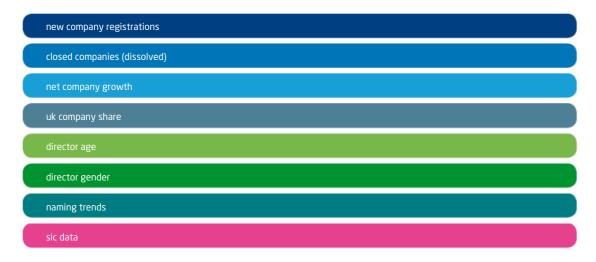
2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

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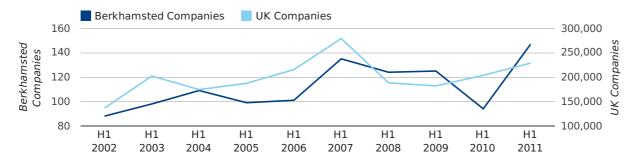
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Berkhamsted when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 147 companies were formed in Berkhamsted. This figure is 56.4% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Berkhamsted occurred in 2011 when a total of 147 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	147	228,735
2010	94	203,749
% CHANGE	56.4%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (147)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



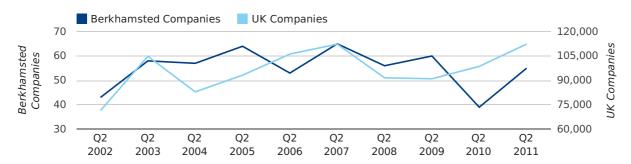
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 55 companies were registered in Berkhamsted during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

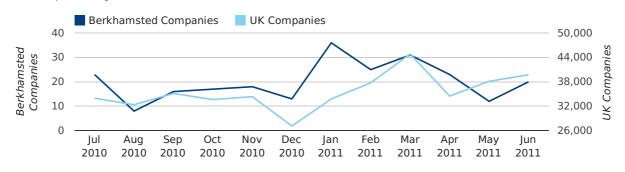
This figure is an increase of 41.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	55	112,344
2010	39	98,612
% CHANGE	41.0%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (65)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



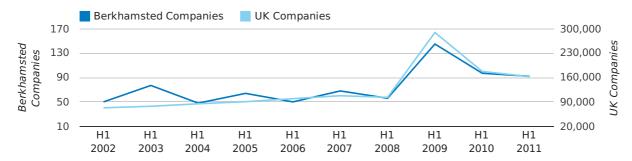
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	23	12	20
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	16	9	14
% CHANGE	43.8%	33.3%	42.9%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (25)	2004 (24)	2008 (24)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 92 companies were dissolved in Berkhamsted. This figure is 5.2% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Berkhamsted occurred in 2009 when a total of 145 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	92	162,310
2010	97	177,631
% CHANGE	-5.2%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (145)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



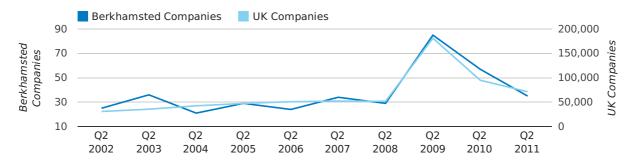
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 35 companies were dissolved in Berkhamsted during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

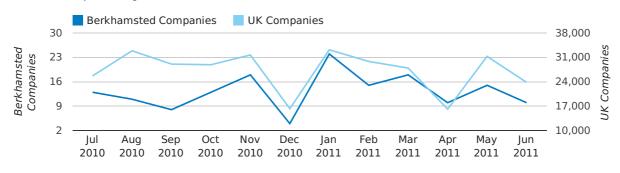
This figure is a decrease of 38.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	35	71,324
2010	57	94,954
% CHANGE	-38.6%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (85)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

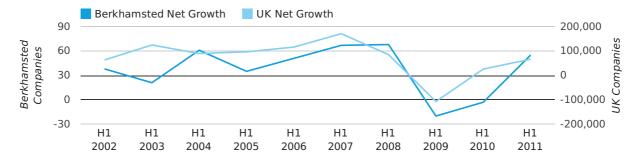


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	10	15	10
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	17	22	18
% CHANGE	-41.2%	-31.8%	-44%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (28)	2009 (44)	2010 (18)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Berkhamsted increased by 55 companies. This figure is 1,933.3% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	55	66,425
2010	-3	26,118
% CHANGE	-1,933.3%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (68)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



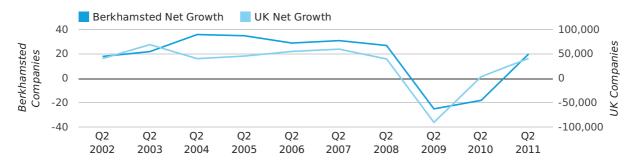
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Berkhamsted during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 20 companies.

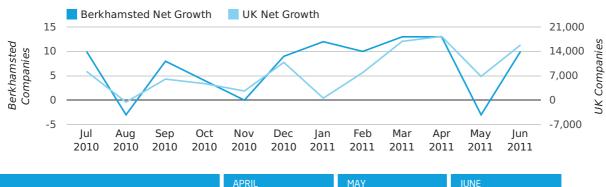
This represents an increase of 211.1% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BERKHAMSTED	UK
2011	20	41,020
2010	-18	3,658
% CHANGE	-211.1%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	1998 (38)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

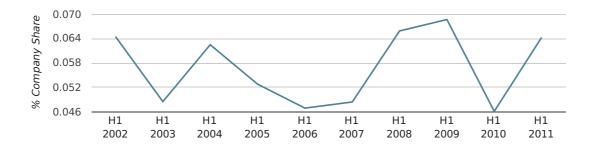


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	13	-3	10
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-1	-13	-4
% CHANGE	-1,400.0%	-76.9%	-350.0%
RECORD YEAR	1998 (19)	1998 (17)	2003 (14)

In the first half of 2011 Berkhamsted formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is more than the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BERKHAMSTED
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1991 (0.1%)

company share by half year

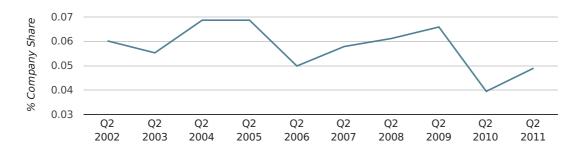


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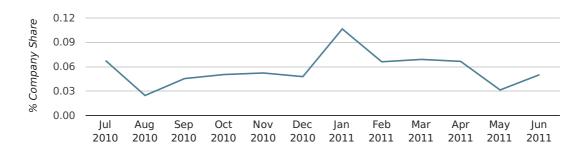
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SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	BERKHAMSTED
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



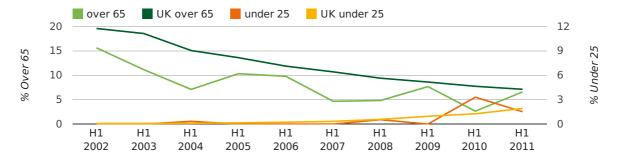
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	39.2%	5.0%	26.4%
RECORD YEAR	1980 (0.2%)	1967 (0.2%)	1975 (0.2%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 47.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.6% 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 48.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

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

director age by quarter



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

36.4% of all director appointments in Berkhamsted 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 Berkhamsted was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

41.8% of all director appointments in Berkhamsted 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



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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
RECRUITMENT	2.97%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTING	2.74%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
MANAGEMENT	1.60%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
ASSOCIATES	1.60%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CONSULTANCY	1.37%	TRADING	2.05%
IT	0.91%	DESIGN	1.94%
MARKETING	0.68%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
ENTERPRISE	0.68%	BUSINESS	1.87%
RETAIL	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
CONSULTANTS	0.68%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
DCK	0.68%	MEDIA	1.73%
RESOURCING	0.68%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
SYSTEMS	0.68%	LONDON	1.60%
SIGN	0.46%	GLOBAL	1.46%
TRAINING	0.46%	J	1.44%
EVENTS	0.46%	CARE	1.44%
BLUE	0.46%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
PARTNERSHIP	0.46%	IT	1.39%
DAY	0.46%	BUILDING	1.32%
NETWORKS	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
MUSIC	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
SECURITY	0.46%	М	1.27%
LONDON	0.46%	S	1.23%
TV	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
INSTALLATIONS	0.46%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	99	202,072
7450 - Labour recruitment	28	2,304
7487 - Other business activities	26	60,758
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	23	16,419
78109 - Other activities of employment placement agencies	22	1,595
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	18	30,647
7414 - Business & management consultancy	12	13,053
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	11	10,545
78200 - Temporary employment agency activities	10	1,052
9999 - Dormant Company	9	20,111
74990 - Non-trading company	7	8,481
99999 - Dormant Company	7	18,918
7499 - Non-trading company	6	10,955
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	6	7,143
73110 - Advertising agencies	5	1,633
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	5	3,394
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	4	3,050
62012 - Business and domestic software development	4	3,262
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	4	7,835
9211 - Motion picture and video production	3	969