

Bideford

2011 annual business confidence report



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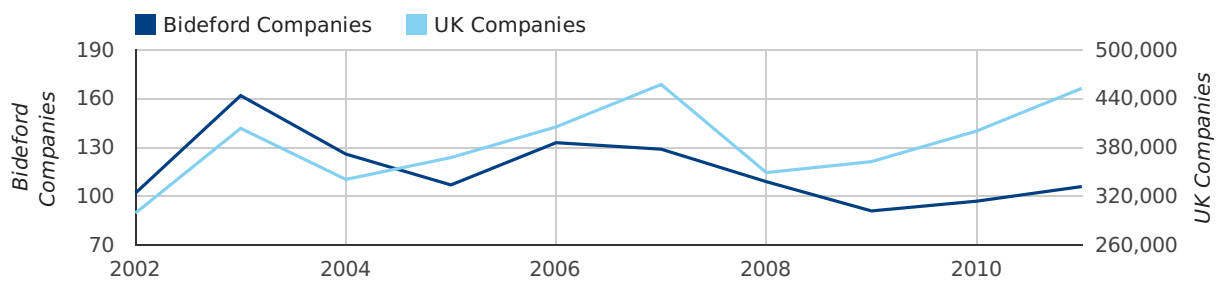
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 106 companies were formed in Bideford in 2011. This total is 9.3% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	106	452,870
2010	97	400,358
2009	91	362,675
2008	109	349,203
2007	129	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (162)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



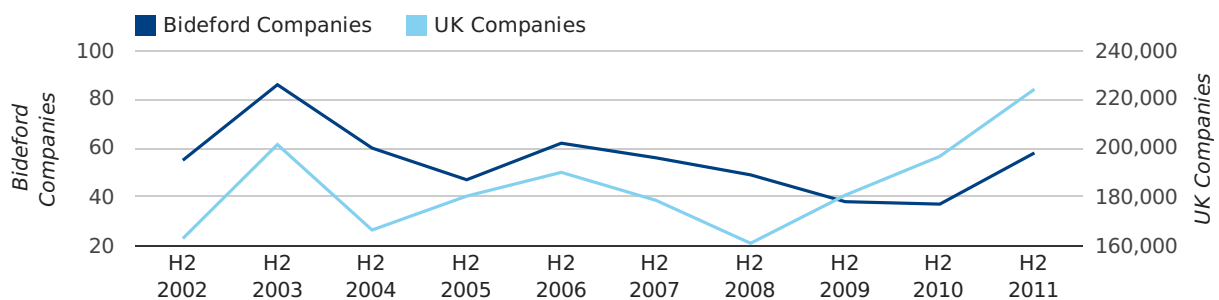
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 58 companies were formed in Bideford. This figure is 56.8% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Bideford occurred in 2003 when a total of 86 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	58	224,135
2010	37	196,609
% CHANGE	56.8%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (86)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



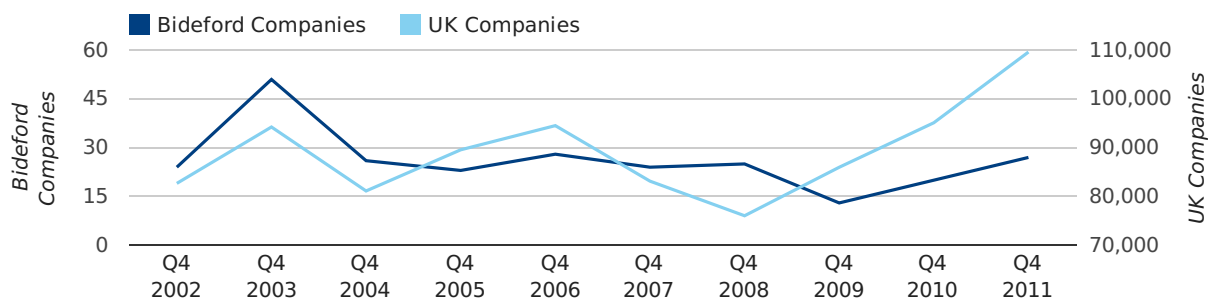
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 27 companies were registered in Bideford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 35.0% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

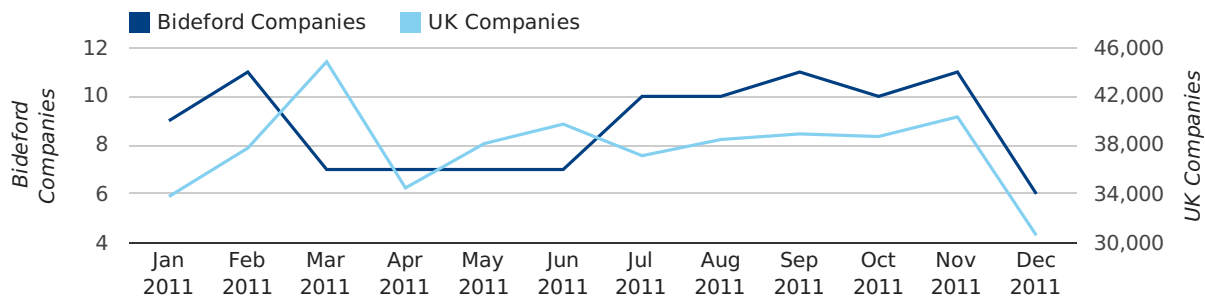
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	27	109,623
2010	20	95,117
% CHANGE	35.0%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (51)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



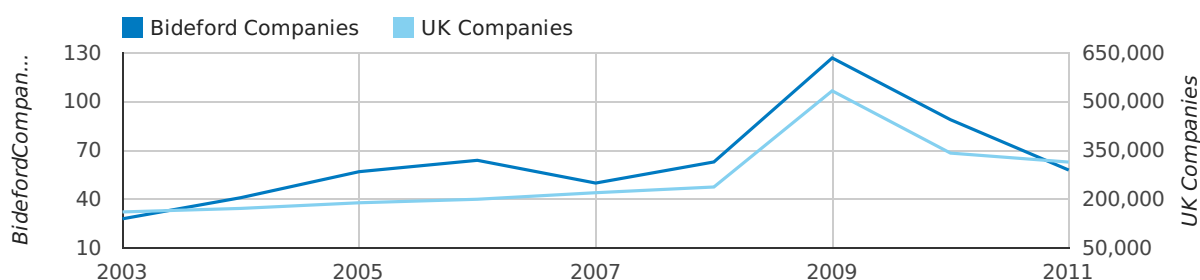
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	10	11	6
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	10	9	1
% CHANGE	0.0%	22.2%	500.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (14)	2003 (16)	2003 (21)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 58 companies were dissolved in Bideford in 2011. This total is 34.8% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	58	314,523
2010	89	342,232
2009	127	533,773
2008	63	237,901
2007	50	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (127)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



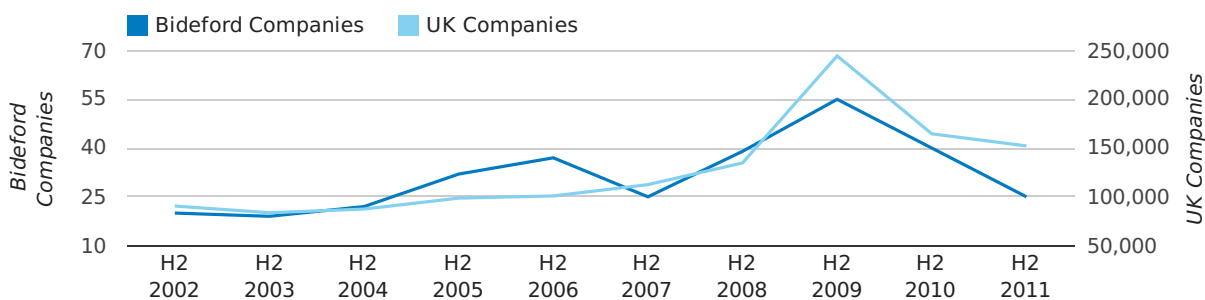
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 25 companies were dissolved in Bideford. This figure is 37.5% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Bideford occurred in 2009 when a total of 55 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	25	152,213
2010	40	164,601
% CHANGE	-37.5%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (55)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



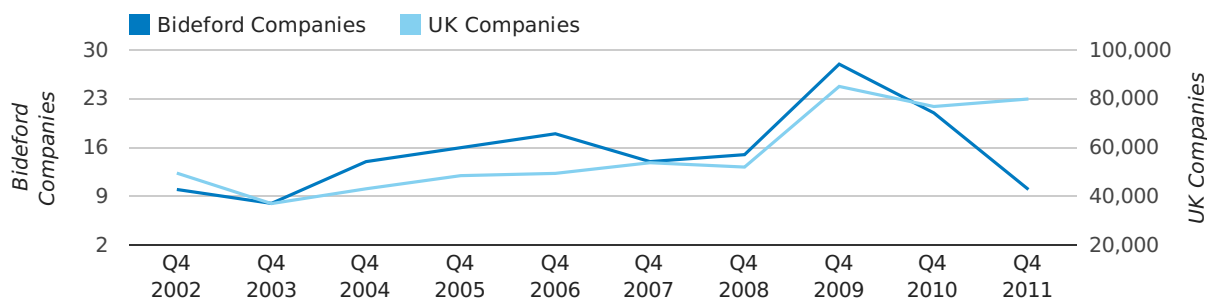
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 10 companies were dissolved in Bideford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 52.4% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

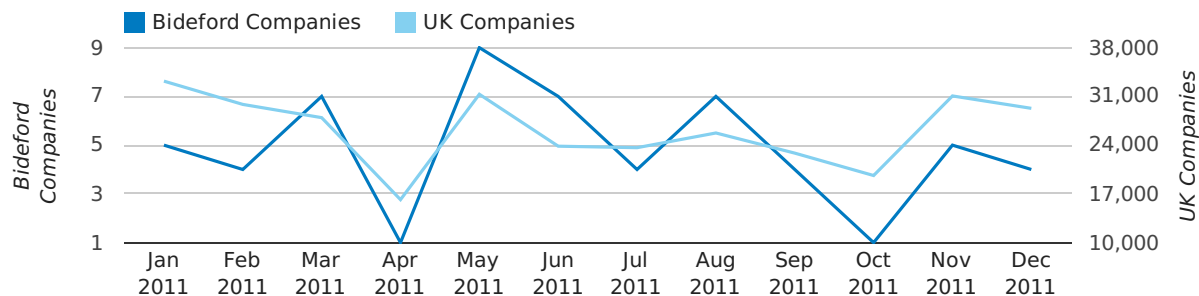
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	10	79,983
2010	21	76,896
% CHANGE	-52.4%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (28)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	1	5	4
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	6	10	5
% CHANGE	-83.3%	-50.0%	-20%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (7)	2009 (11)	2009 (11)

Annual Data (2011)

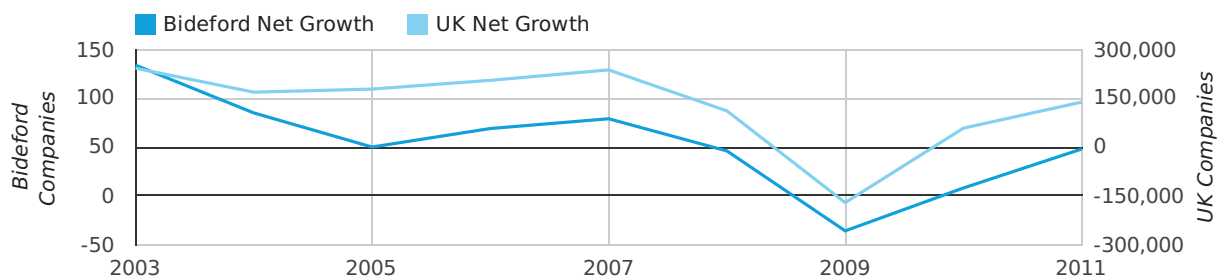
A total of 48 companies were added to the company register for Bideford in 2011. This number represents growth of 49.5% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 40 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Bideford company register grew by 134 companies.

YEAR	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	48	138,347
2010	8	58,126
2009	-36	-171,098
2008	46	111,302
2007	79	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (134)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

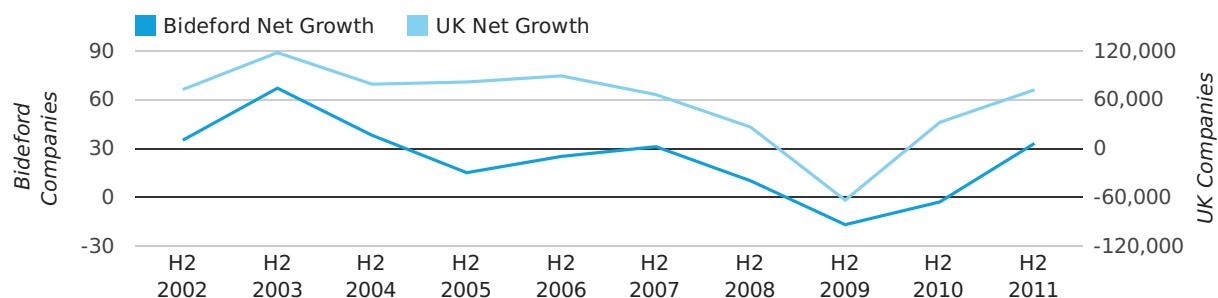


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Bideford increased by 33 companies. This figure is 1,200.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	33	71,922
2010	-3	32,008
% CHANGE	-1,200.0%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (67)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



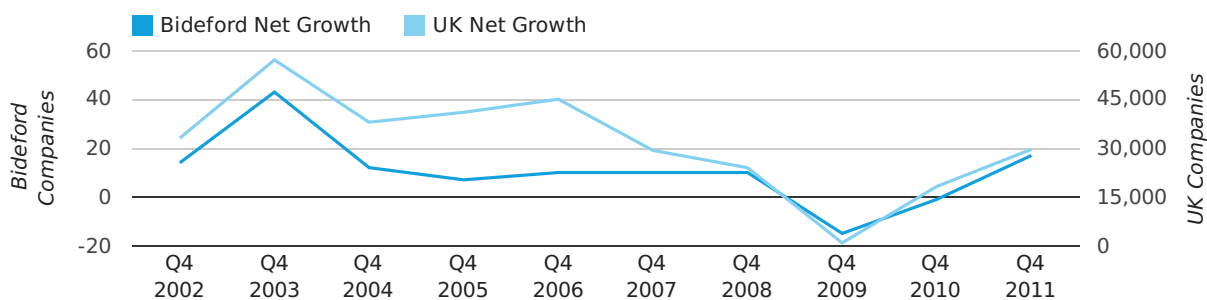
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Bideford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 17 companies.

This represents an increase of 1,800.0% on the same period last year.

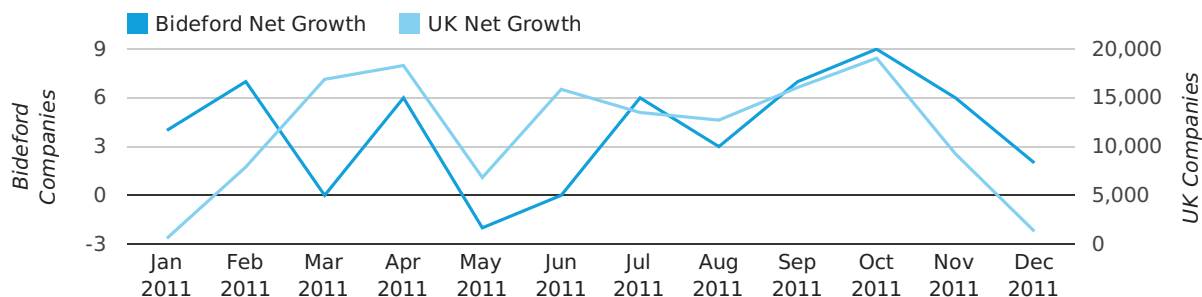
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIDEFORD	UK
2011	17	29,640
2010	-1	18,221
% CHANGE	-1,800.0%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (43)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



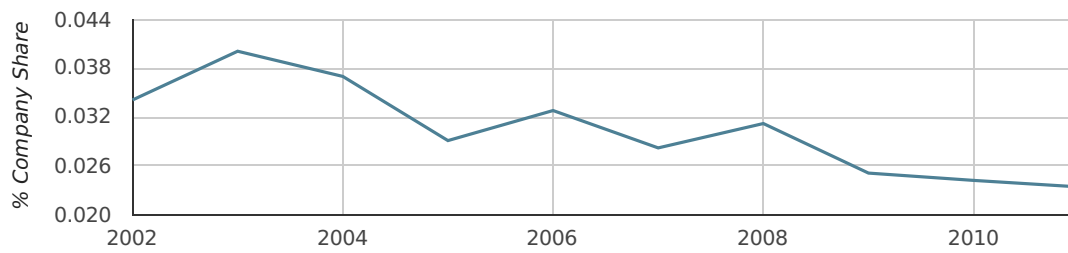
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	9	6	2
NET GROWTH IN 2010	4	-1	-4
% CHANGE	125.0%	-700.0%	-150.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (10)	2003 (14)	2003 (19)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Bideford formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Bideford was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BIDEFORD
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.1%)

company share by year

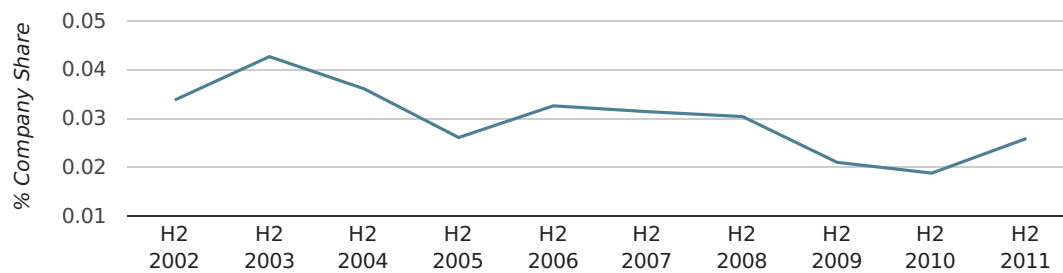


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Bideford formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIDEFORD
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.1%)

company share by half year

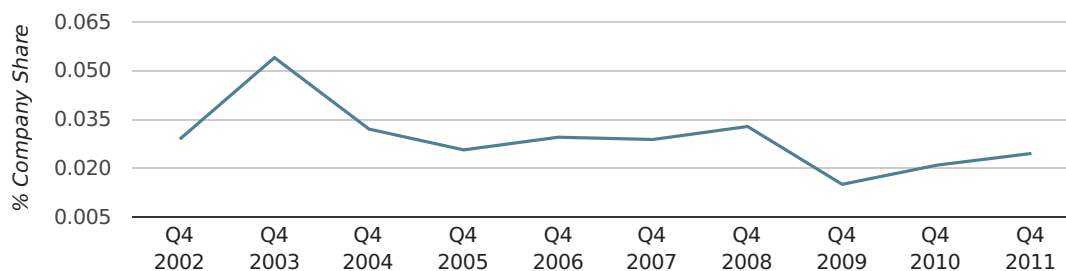


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Bideford formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

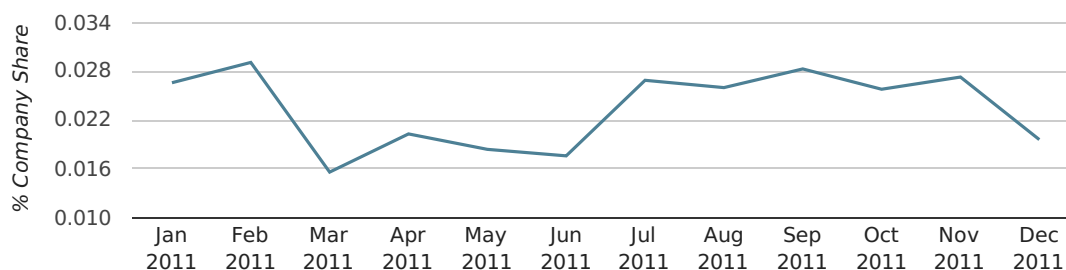
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIDEFORD
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	-13.1%	4.2%	429.7%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.2%)	1962 (0.3%)	1966 (0.7%)

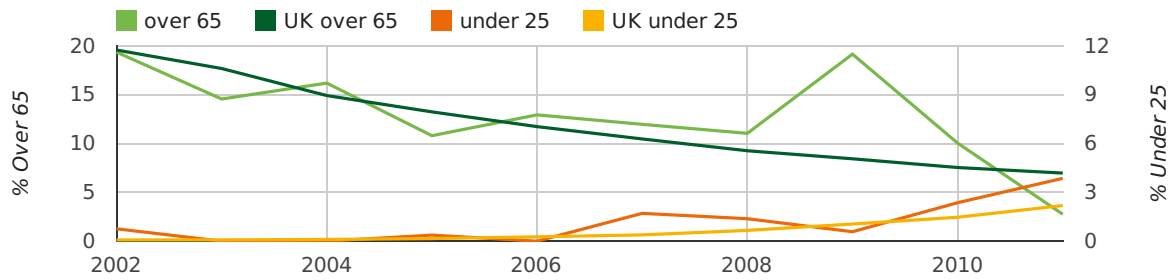
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 44.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



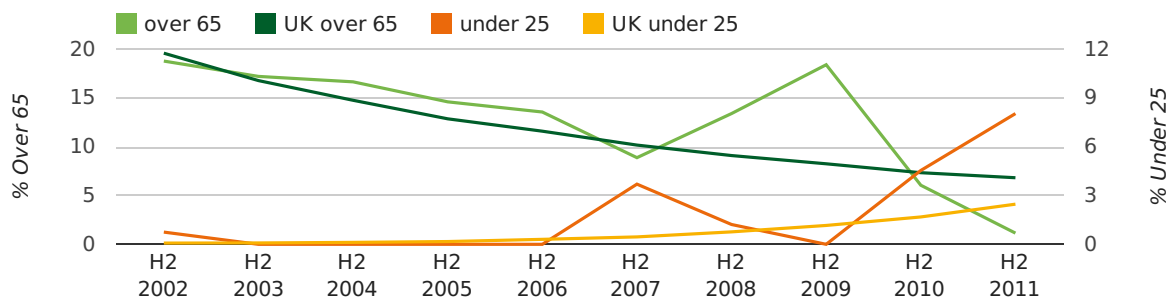
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 42.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 8.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



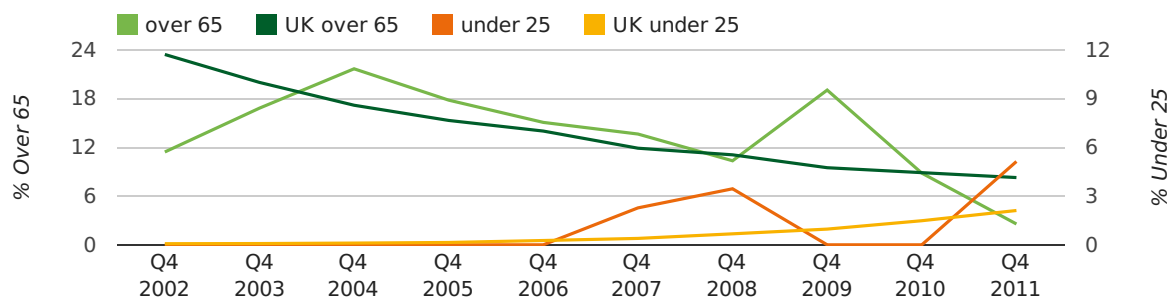
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 44.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

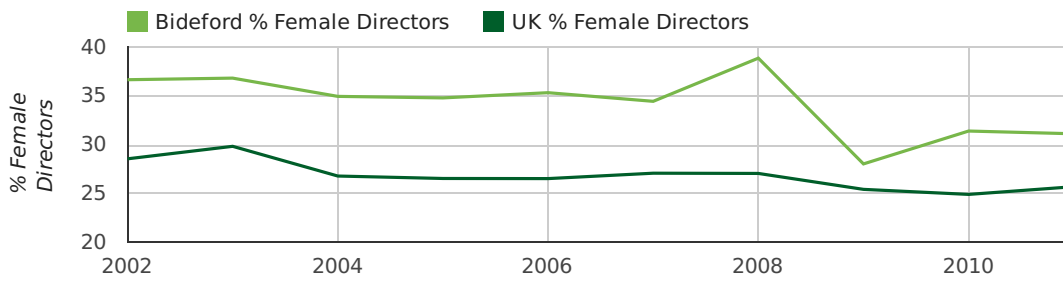


Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Bideford was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Bideford in 2011 was 36.7%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

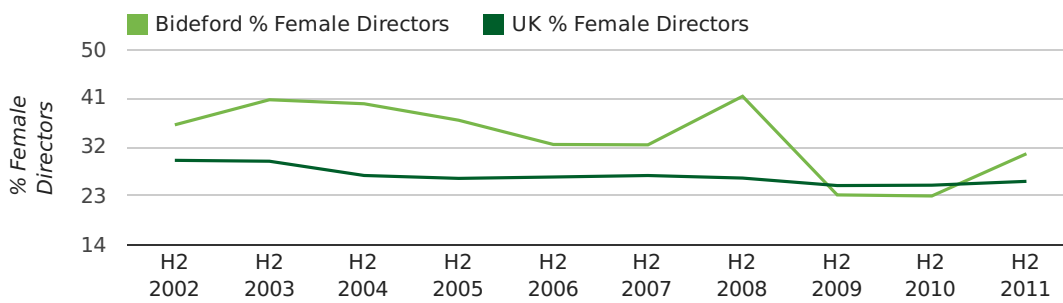


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Bideford was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

30.8% of all director appointments in Bideford in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

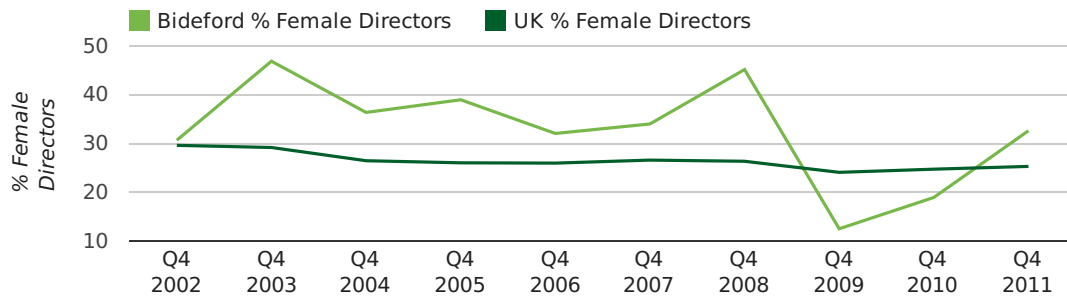


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Bideford was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

32.6% of all director appointments in Bideford in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
WEST	2.09%	CONSULTING	5.07%
J	2.09%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
D	2.09%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
CONSULTANCY	1.67%	PROPERTY	2.37%
SOUTH	1.67%	TRADING	2.07%
BIDEFORD	1.67%	DESIGN	1.92%
CLOUD	1.26%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
PROPERTY	1.26%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
SOLAR	0.84%	BUSINESS	1.78%
CONSTRUCTION	0.84%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
TRAINING	0.84%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
HEALTH	0.84%	MEDIA	1.71%
OINK	0.84%	LONDON	1.63%
MANAGEMENT	0.84%	J	1.51%
MEDIA	0.84%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
HOUSE	0.84%	GLOBAL	1.46%
ELECTRICAL	0.84%	IT	1.41%
BUSINESS	0.84%	CARE	1.39%
MARINE	0.84%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
(LONDON)	0.84%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
(BIDEFORD)	0.84%	M	1.27%
CATERING	0.84%	BUILDING	1.26%
DEVON	0.84%	ENERGY	1.25%
CLOVELLY	0.84%	S	1.20%
M	0.84%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	23	205,525
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	9	32,483
7487 - Other business activities	9	57,052
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	4	5,558
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	4	17,765
9999 - Dormant Company	4	20,199
49320 - Taxi operation	4	817
87300 - Residential care activities for the elderly and disabled	3	291
41100 - Development of building projects	3	4,331
41201 - Construction of commercial buildings	3	1,500
99999 - Dormant Company	3	21,846
86900 - Other human health activities	3	4,457
5530 - Restaurants	3	5,013
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	3	3,342
56102 - Unlicensed restaurants and cafes	2	902
9262 - Other sporting activities	2	1,650
46470 - Wholesale of furniture, carpets and lighting equipment	2	148
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	2	8,671
4531 - Installation electrical wiring etc.	2	1,967
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	2	11,768