

Birmingham

2011 annual business confidence report



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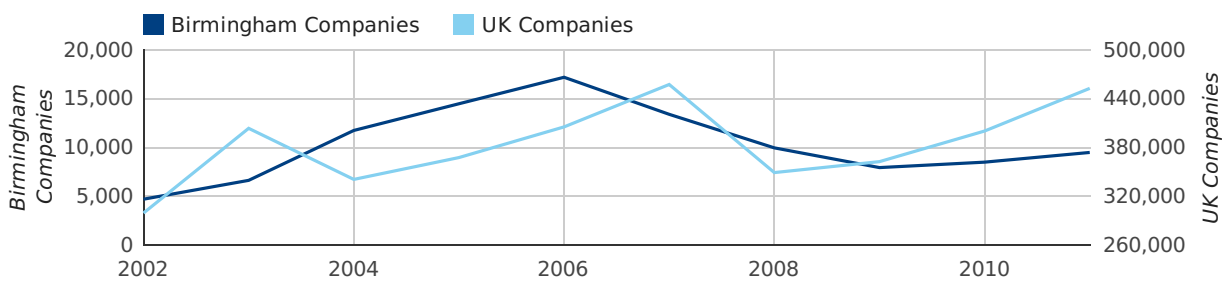
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 9,499 companies were formed in Birmingham in 2011. This total is 11.7% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	9,499	452,870
2010	8,504	400,358
2009	7,946	362,675
2008	9,969	349,203
2007	13,410	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2006 (17,211)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



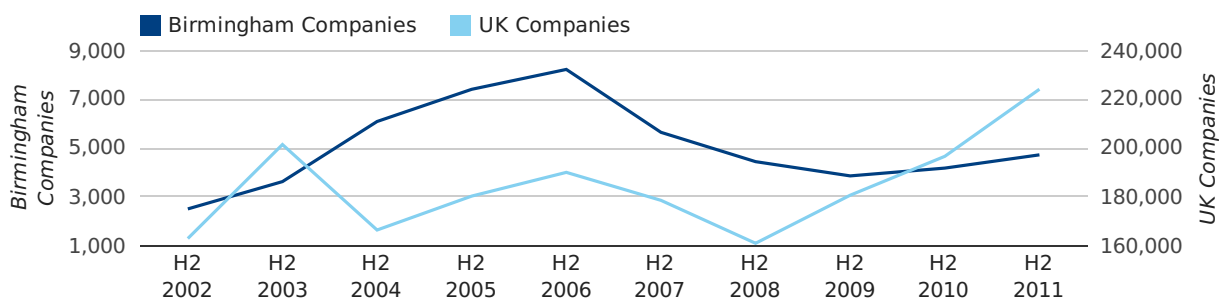
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 4,722 companies were formed in Birmingham. This figure is 13.0% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Birmingham occurred in 2006 when a total of 8,227 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	4,722	224,135
2010	4,178	196,609
% CHANGE	13.0%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (8,227)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



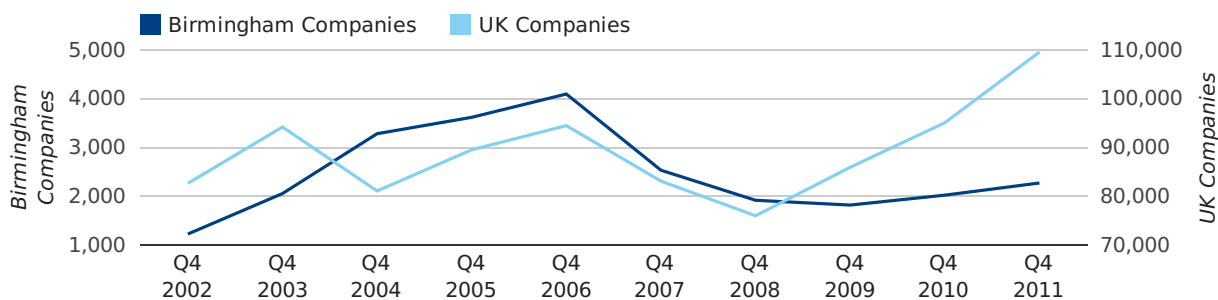
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 2,276 companies were registered in Birmingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 12.3% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

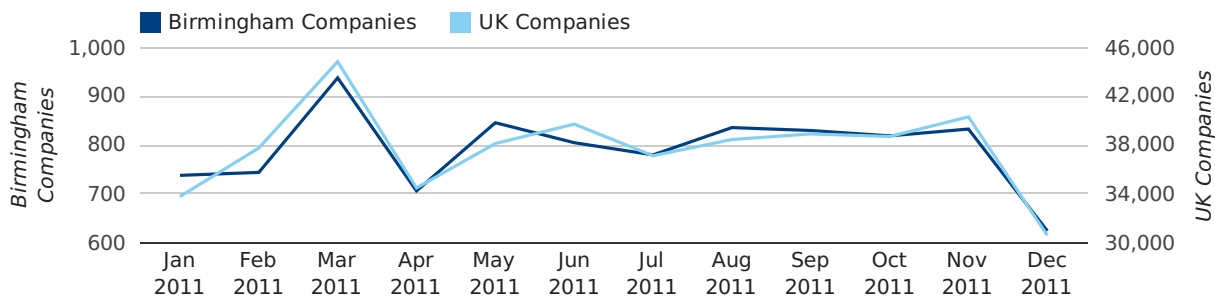
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	2,276	109,623
2010	2,026	95,117
% CHANGE	12.3%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (4,101)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



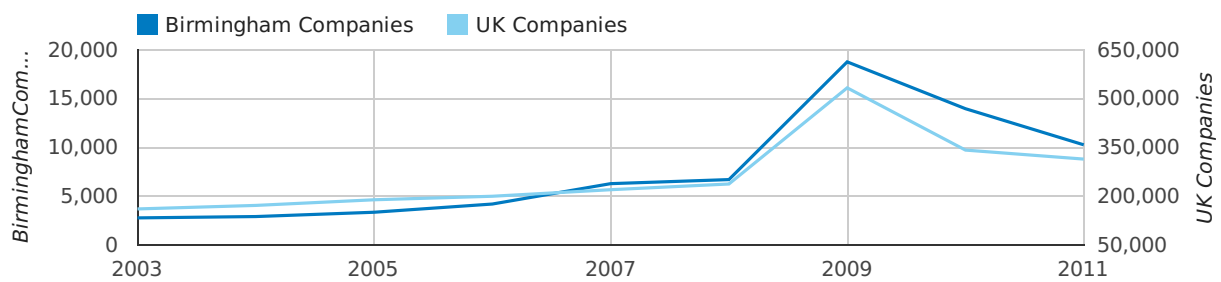
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	819	833	624
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	754	684	588
% CHANGE	8.6%	21.8%	6.1%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (1,384)	2006 (1,561)	2005 (1,197)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 10,281 companies were dissolved in Birmingham in 2011. This total is 26.5% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	10,281	314,523
2010	13,986	342,232
2009	18,790	533,773
2008	6,715	237,901
2007	6,298	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (18,790)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



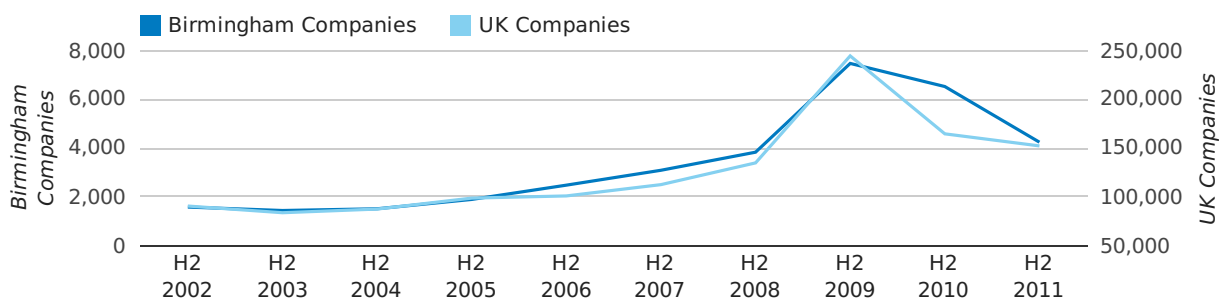
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 4,241 companies were dissolved in Birmingham. This figure is 35.0% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Birmingham occurred in 2009 when a total of 7,473 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	4,241	152,213
2010	6,525	164,601
% CHANGE	-35.0%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (7,473)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



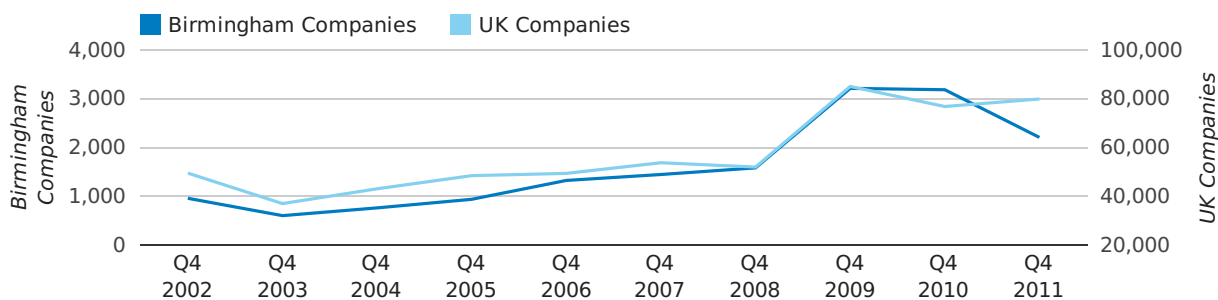
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 2,211 companies were dissolved in Birmingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 30.7% 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.

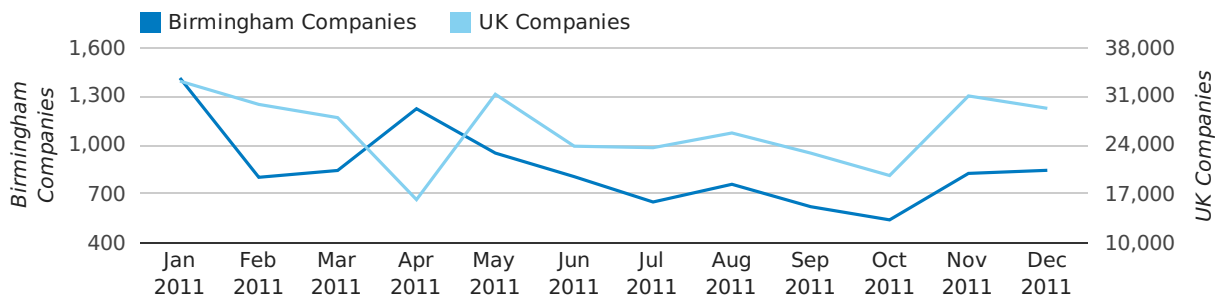
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	2,211	79,983
2010	3,189	76,896
% CHANGE	-30.7%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (3,217)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	540	826	845
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	1,130	1,538	521
% CHANGE	-52.2%	-46.3%	62%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,424)	2010 (1,538)	2009 (930)

Annual Data (2011)

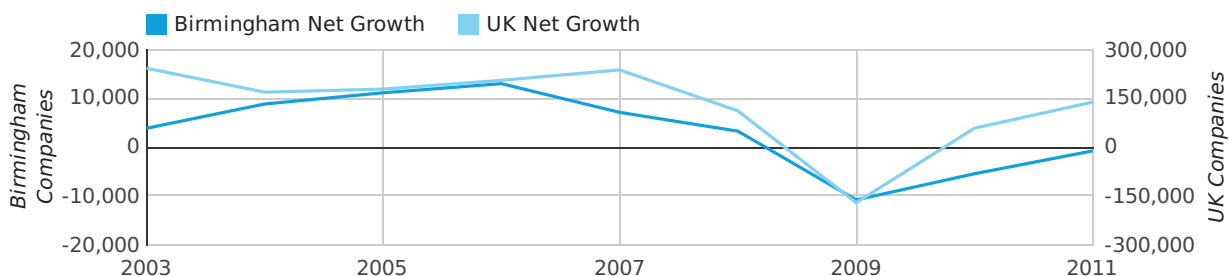
A total of -782 companies were removed to the company register for Birmingham in 2011. This number represents decline of 9.2% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 4,700 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2006 when the Birmingham company register grew by 13,003 companies.

YEAR	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	-782	138,347
2010	-5,482	58,126
2009	-10,844	-171,098
2008	3,254	111,302
2007	7,112	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2006 (13,003)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

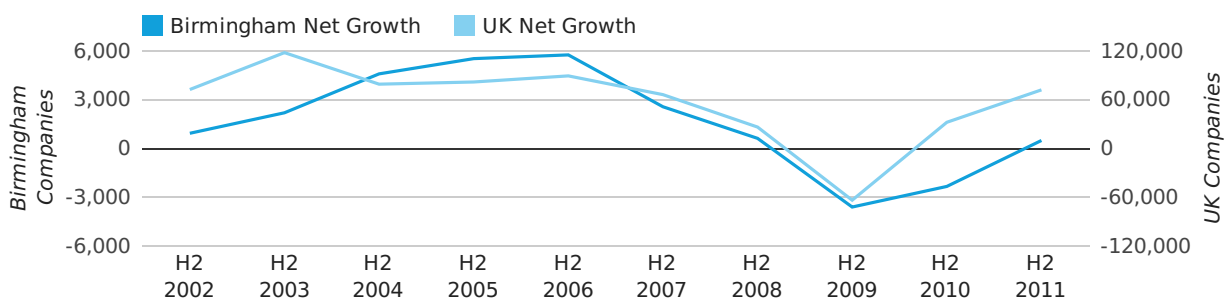


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Birmingham increased by 481 companies. This figure is 120.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	481	71,922
2010	-2,347	32,008
% CHANGE	-120.5%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (5,749)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



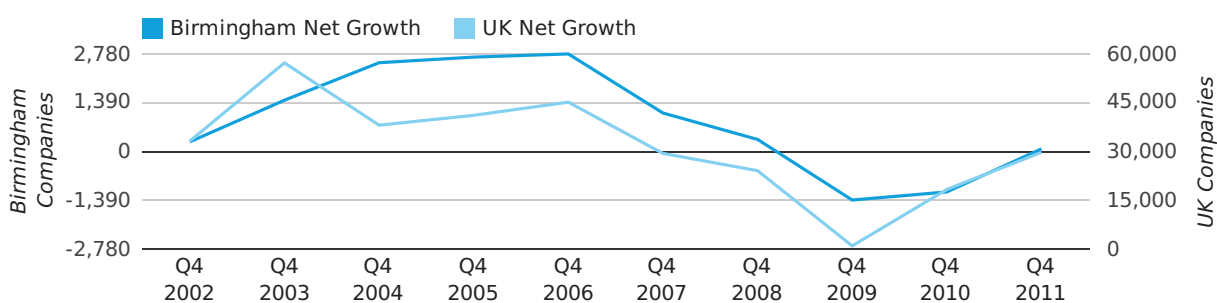
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Birmingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 65 companies.

This represents an increase of 105.6% on the same period last year.

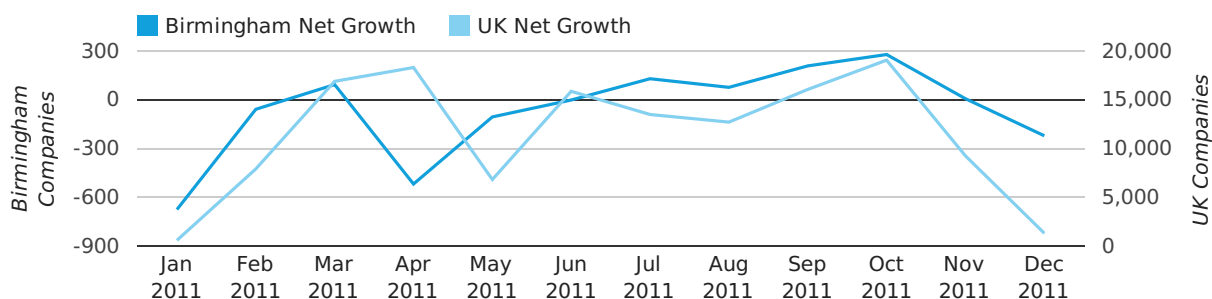
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIRMINGHAM	UK
2011	65	29,640
2010	-1,163	18,221
% CHANGE	-105.6%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (2,773)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



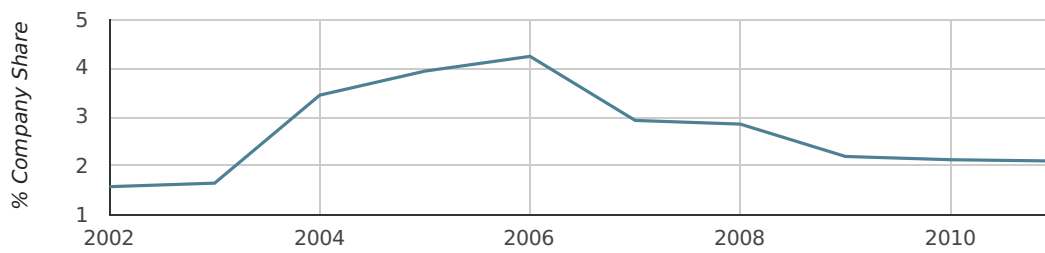
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	279	7	-221
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-376	-854	67
% CHANGE	-174.2%	-100.8%	-429.9%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (871)	2006 (1,036)	2005 (884)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Birmingham formed 2.1% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Birmingham was responsible for 2.1% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BIRMINGHAM
2011	2.1%
2010	2.1%
2009	2.2%
2008	2.9%
2007	2.9%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2006 (4.2%)

company share by year

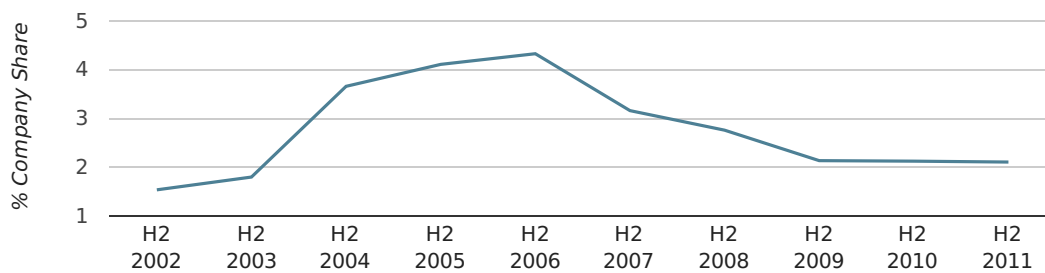


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Birmingham formed 2.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 2.1%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BIRMINGHAM
2011	2.1%
2010	2.1%
2009	2.1%
2008	2.8%
2007	3.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2006 (4.3%)

company share by half year

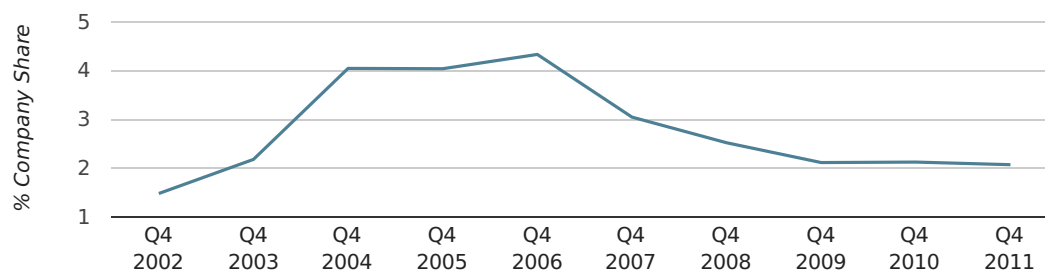


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Birmingham formed 2.1% of all UK companies.

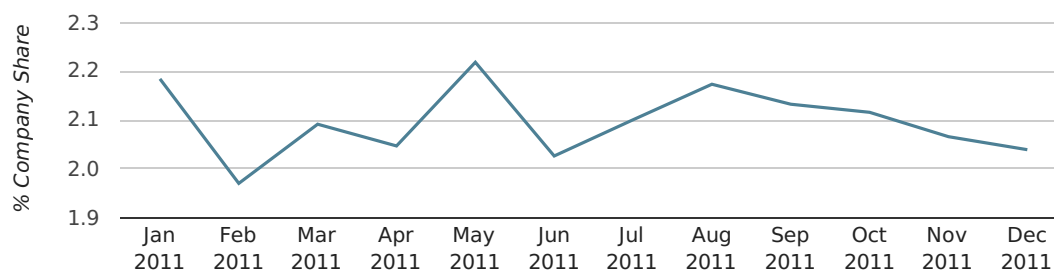
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BIRMINGHAM
2011	2.1%
2010	2.1%
2009	2.1%
2008	2.5%
2007	3.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2006 (4.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	2.1%	2.1%	2.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	2.2%	2.0%	2.2%
% CHANGE	-5.6%	3.7%	-5.9%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (3.9%)	2006 (4.6%)	2005 (4.9%)

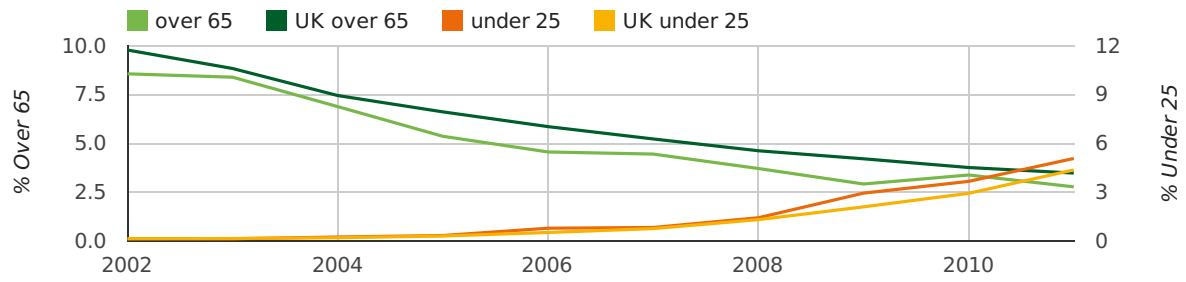
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 41.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.1% 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



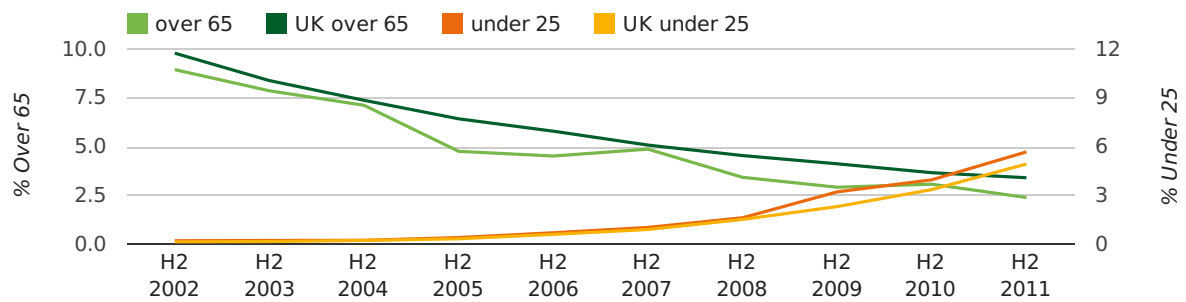
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 40.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



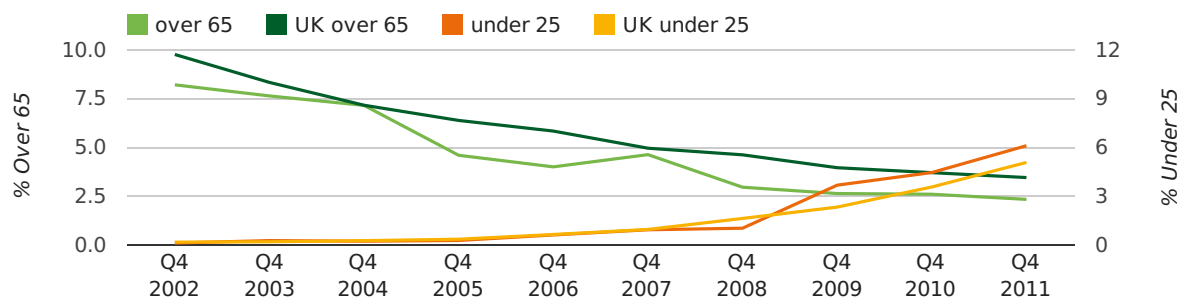
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 40.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

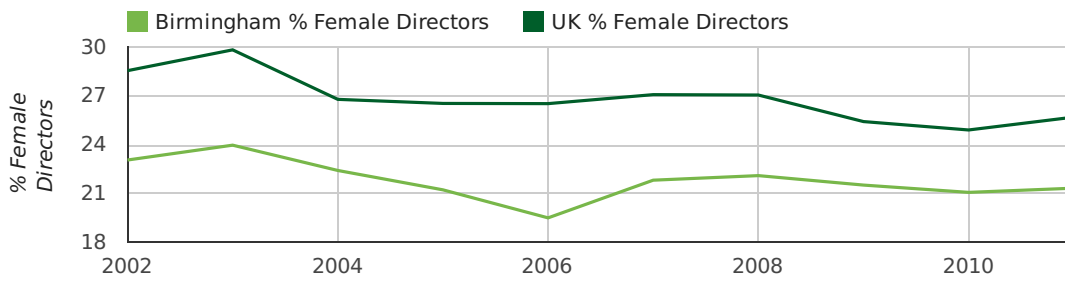


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Birmingham in 2011 was 23.1%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

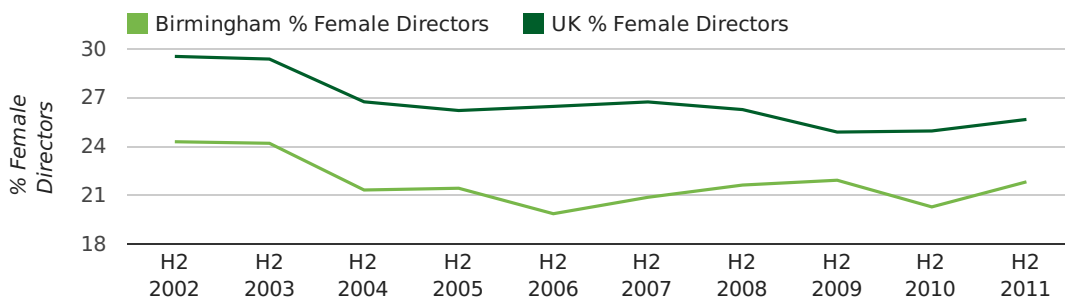


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

21.8% of all director appointments in Birmingham 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

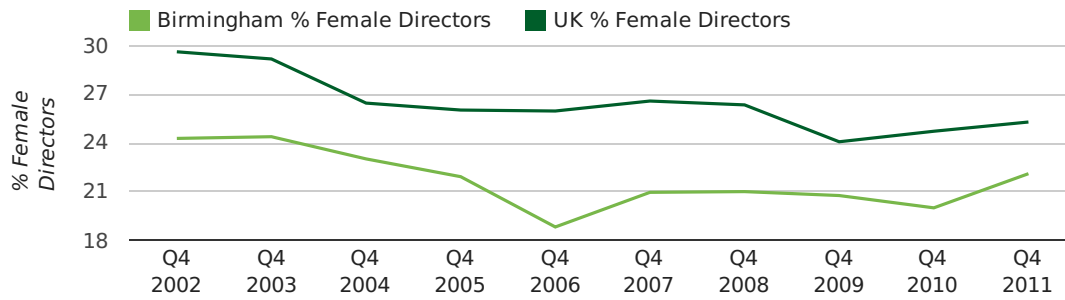


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

22.1% of all director appointments in Birmingham 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
MANAGEMENT	2.02%	CONSULTING	5.07%
TRADING	1.27%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.18%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
BIRMINGHAM	1.07%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTING	1.07%	TRADING	2.07%
PROPERTY	1.07%	DESIGN	1.92%
CARE	0.98%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
M	0.92%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
(30)	0.83%	BUSINESS	1.78%
GLOBAL	0.75%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
S	0.72%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
HOUSE	0.72%	MEDIA	1.71%
J	0.71%	LONDON	1.63%
MEDIA	0.70%	J	1.51%
BUSINESS	0.69%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CONSTRUCTION	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.46%
DESIGN	0.65%	IT	1.41%
D	0.64%	CARE	1.39%
K	0.61%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
CENTRE	0.61%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
SECURITY	0.60%	M	1.27%
DEVELOPMENT	0.60%	BUILDING	1.26%
CIC	0.59%	ENERGY	1.25%
COMMUNITY	0.59%	S	1.20%
(GB)	0.58%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	4,947	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	2,043	57,052
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	1,500	32,483
99999 - Dormant Company	359	21,846
9999 - Dormant Company	351	20,199
5227 - Other retail food etc. specialised	262	1,120
56103 - Take-away food shops and mobile food stands	219	2,264
5530 - Restaurants	200	5,013
9305 - Other service activities	193	9,492
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	174	11,768
7499 - Non-trading company	167	9,957
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	161	17,765
7414 - Business & management consultancy	142	13,034
86900 - Other human health activities	124	4,457
74990 - Non-trading company	124	8,929
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	114	12,072
7260 - Other computer related activities	100	7,667
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	91	8,671
62090 - Other information technology service activities	88	7,493
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	82	7,398