

Bishop's Stortford

q1 2011 business confidence report



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A total of 116 companies were registered in Bishop's Stortford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 4.5% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BISHOP'S STORTFORD	UK
2011	116	116,391
2010	111	105,137
% CHANGE	4.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (160)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter

Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

new companies by month

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	41	31	44
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	37	31	43
% CHANGE	10.8%	0.0%	2.3%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (115)	1998 (36)	2007 (74)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 77 companies were dissolved in Bishop's Stortford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 51.0% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BISHOP'S STORTFORD	UK
2011	77	90,986
2010	51	82,677
% CHANGE	51.0%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (270)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter

Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Bishop's Stortford when compared to any previous January.

dissolved companies by month

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	31	21	25
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	13	19	19
% CHANGE	138.5%	10.5%	32%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (31)	2009 (21)	2006 (239)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Bishop's Stortford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 39 companies.

This represents a decrease of 35.0% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BISHOP'S STORTFORD	UK
2011	39	25,405
2010	60	22,460
% CHANGE	-35.0%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (138)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter

Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	10	10	19
NET GROWTH IN 2010	24	12	24
% CHANGE	-58.3%	-16.7%	-20.8%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (105)	1998 (31)	2007 (54)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Bishop's Stortford formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BISHOP'S STORTFORD
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1999 (0.3%)

company share by quarter

Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-4.4%	-12.0%	-2.4%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (0.8%)	1967 (0.4%)	1969 (0.4%)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 45.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The record first quarter for female directors in Bishop's Stortford was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

26.8% of all director appointments in Bishop's Stortford in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

director gender by quarter

Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	2.61%	CONSULTING	5.04%
CONSULTING	1.59%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
CONSULTANCY	1.16%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
BUSINESS	1.01%	PROPERTY	2.38%
DESIGN	1.01%	TRADING	2.10%
FINANCIAL	0.87%	DESIGN	1.93%
PROPERTY	0.87%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
ASSOCIATES	0.87%	BUSINESS	1.87%
TRADING	0.72%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
PARTNERS	0.58%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
STORTFORD	0.58%	MEDIA	1.69%
BESPOKE	0.58%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
Z	0.58%	LONDON	1.60%
EVENTS	0.58%	CARE	1.45%
CO	0.58%	J	1.45%
IT	0.58%	GLOBAL	1.44%
CLEAN	0.43%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
MARKETING	0.43%	IT	1.41%
ENTERTAINMENT	0.43%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
BUILDING	0.43%	BUILDING	1.34%
SYSTEMS	0.43%	M	1.30%
TRAINING	0.43%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
INVESTMENTS	0.43%	S	1.24%
TECHNOLOGY	0.43%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
CONSULTANTS	0.43%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	185	202,798
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	35	30,253
7487 - Other business activities	32	60,968
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	24	10,085
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	24	16,150
99999 - Dormant Company	21	18,336
9305 - Other service activities	20	8,740
9999 - Dormant Company	19	19,765
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	14	10,246
7414 - Business & management consultancy	14	12,916
7260 - Other computer related activities	11	7,789
62090 - Other information technology service activities	11	6,996
4545 - Other building completion	9	2,483
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	8	2,707
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	8	7,000
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	7	7,788
51101 - Scheduled passenger air transport	6	101
41100 - Development of building projects	6	3,921
41201 - Construction of commercial buildings	5	1,498
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	5	2,247