

# Blackpool

q1 2011 business confidence report



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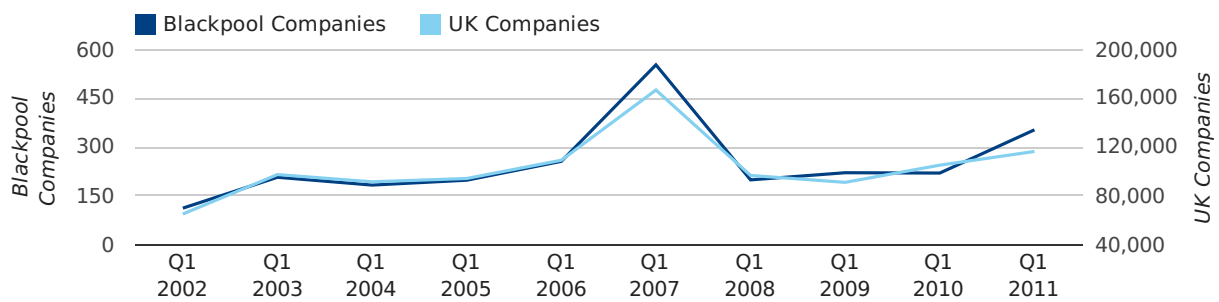
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 353 companies were registered in Blackpool during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 60.5% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

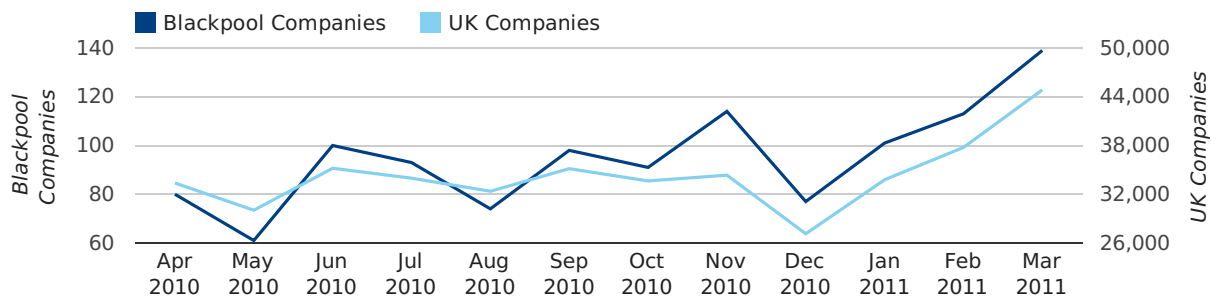
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BLACKPOOL	UK
2011	353	116,391
2010	220	105,137
% CHANGE	60.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (553)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

#### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	101	113	139
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	64	51	105
% CHANGE	57.8%	121.6%	32.4%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (140)	2007 (186)	2007 (227)

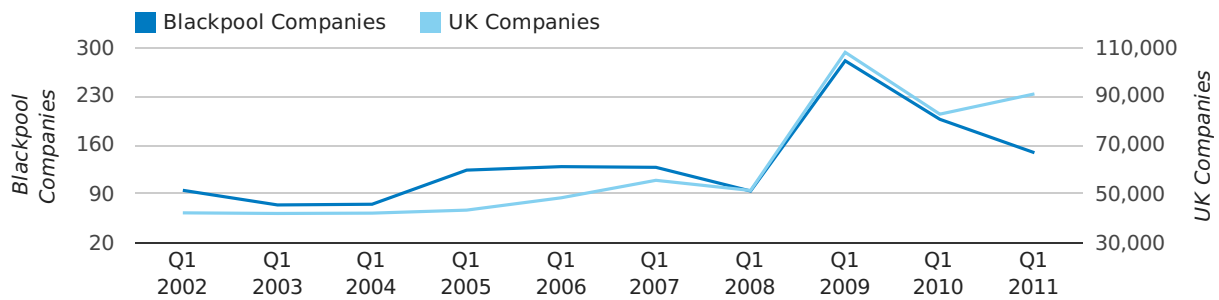
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 149 companies were dissolved in Blackpool during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 24.4% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

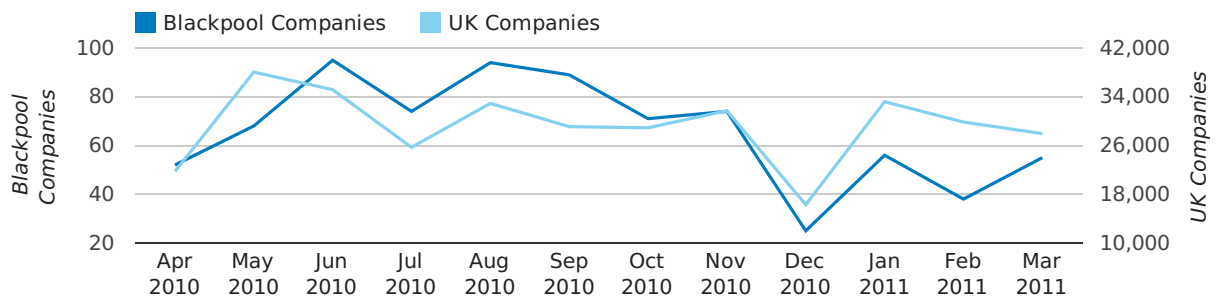
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BLACKPOOL	UK
2011	149	90,986
2010	197	82,677
% CHANGE	-24.4%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (281)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	56	38	55
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	68	42	87
% CHANGE	-17.6%	-9.5%	-37%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (68)	2009 (73)	2009 (154)

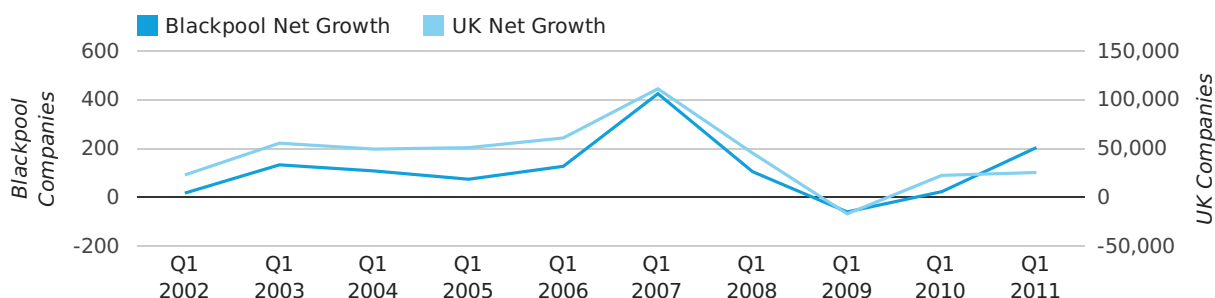
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Blackpool during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 204 companies.

This represents an increase of 787.0% on the same period last year.

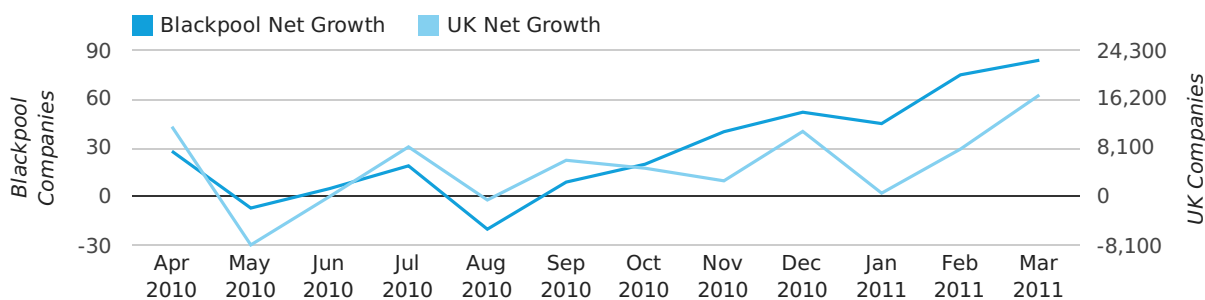
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BLACKPOOL	UK
2011	204	25,405
2010	23	22,460
% CHANGE	787.0%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (425)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### net growth by month



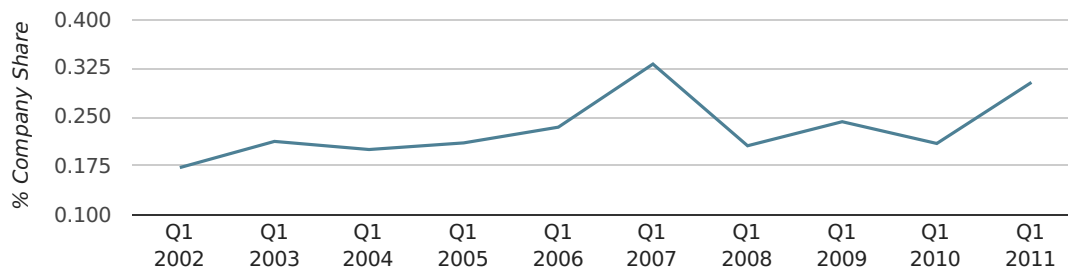
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	45	75	84
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-4	9	18
% CHANGE	-1,225.0%	733.3%	366.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (101)	2007 (137)	2007 (187)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Blackpool formed 0.3% of all UK companies.

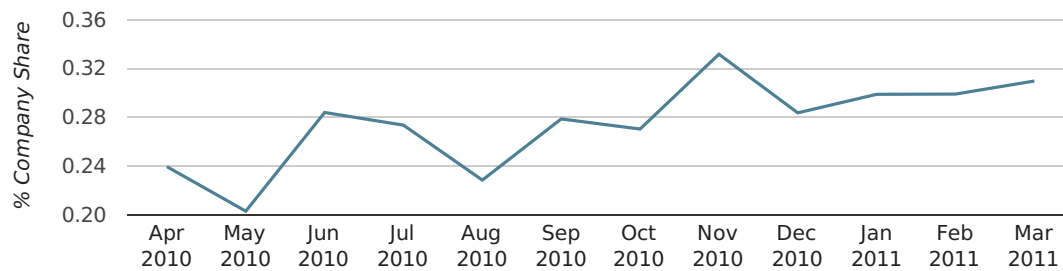
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BLACKPOOL
2011	0.3%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.4%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	36.2%	94.9%	26.3%
RECORD YEAR	1967 (0.7%)	1972 (0.4%)	1960 (0.6%)

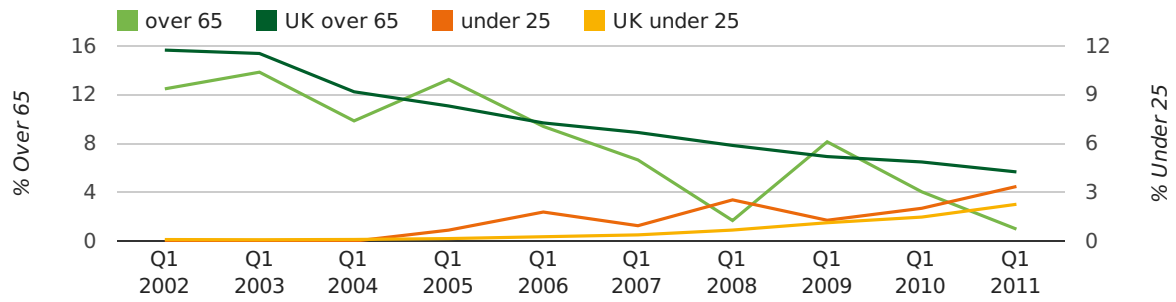
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 42.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by quarter

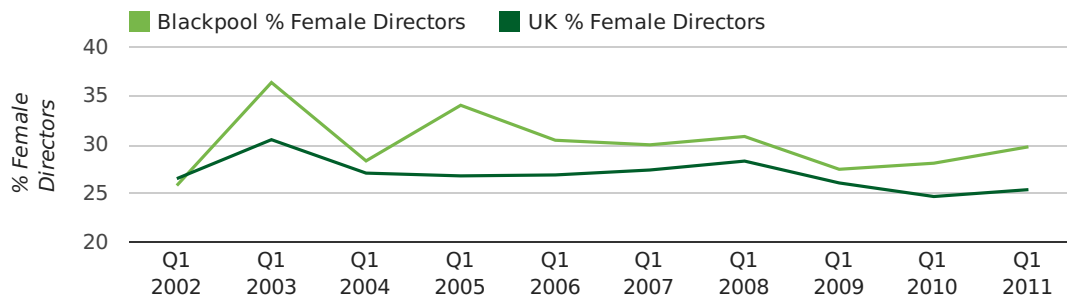


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The record first quarter for female directors in Blackpool was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

29.8% of all director appointments in Blackpool 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
CONSULTING	3.27%	CONSULTING	5.04%
METERS	2.22%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
IT	1.46%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
CONSULTANCY	1.46%	PROPERTY	2.38%
ENGINEERING	1.34%	TRADING	2.10%
BLACKPOOL	1.22%	DESIGN	1.93%
MANAGEMENT	1.11%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
METER	1.11%	BUSINESS	1.87%
METERING	0.87%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
DESIGN	0.70%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
MEDICAL	0.70%	MEDIA	1.69%
FYLDE	0.64%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
BUSINESS	0.64%	LONDON	1.60%
PROPERTY	0.64%	CARE	1.45%
CONSULTANTS	0.64%	J	1.45%
DATA	0.58%	GLOBAL	1.44%
MEDIA	0.52%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
CIC	0.52%	IT	1.41%
WEST	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
PROPERTIES	0.52%	BUILDING	1.34%
COMMUNITY	0.47%	M	1.30%
ENTERPRISES	0.47%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
ACTUARIAL	0.47%	S	1.24%
SOFTWARE	0.47%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
SYSTEMS	0.41%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

## Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	418	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	230	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	107	30,253
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	50	10,246
99999 - Dormant Company	35	18,336
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	31	7,788
9999 - Dormant Company	28	19,765
7260 - Other computer related activities	24	7,789
7499 - Non-trading company	22	11,316
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	17	7,000
74990 - Non-trading company	16	8,695
62090 - Other information technology service activities	15	6,996
9305 - Other service activities	15	8,740
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	14	16,150
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	13	3,436
5510 - Hotels and Motels with (or without) restaurant	13	695
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	12	10,085
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	12,916
43210 - Electrical installation	11	3,172
86900 - Other human health activities	11	4,092