Blandford Forum

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

- November 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous November.
- 2011 was a record year for company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any year in history.
- The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous second half year.
- Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous Q4.
- October 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous October.
- November 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous November.

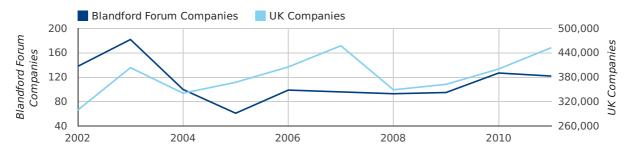
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A total of 122 companies were formed in Blandford Forum in 2011. This total is 3.9% lower than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	122	452,870
2010	127	400,358
2009	95	362,675
2008	93	349,203
2007	96	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (182)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 55 companies were formed in Blandford Forum. This figure is 0.0% the same as last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Blandford Forum occurred in 2003 when a total of 82 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	55	224,135
2010	55	196,609
% CHANGE	0.0%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (82)	2011 (224,135)

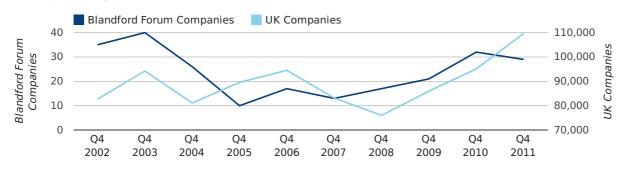


new companies by half year

A total of 29 companies were registered in Blandford Forum during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 9.4% 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.

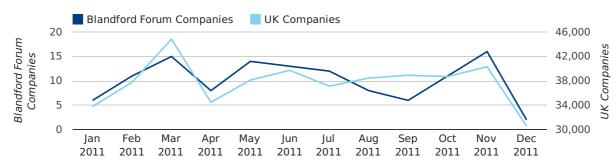
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	29	109,623
2010	32	95,117
% CHANGE	-9.4%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (40)	2011 (109,623)



new companies by quarter

Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

November 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous November.



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	11	16	2
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	13	11	8
% CHANGE	-15.4%	45.5%	-75.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (17)	2011 (16)	2002 (16)

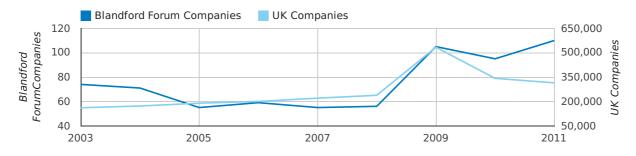
new companies by month

2011 was a record year for company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any year in history.

A total of 110 companies were dissolved in Blandford Forum in 2011. This total is 15.8% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	110	314,523
2010	95	342,232
2009	105	533,773
2008	56	237,901
2007	55	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2011 (110)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 59 companies were dissolved in Blandford Forum. This figure is 63.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Blandford Forum occurred in 2011 when a total of 59 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	59	152,213
2010	36	164,601
% CHANGE	63.9%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (59)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



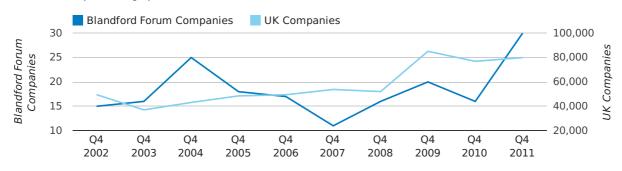
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 30 companies were dissolved in Blandford Forum during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 87.5% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

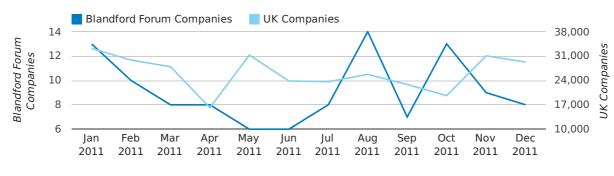
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	30	79,983
2010	16	76,896
% CHANGE	87.5%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (30)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

October 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous October.



dissolved companies by month

	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	13	9	8
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	6	6	4
% CHANGE	116.7%	50.0%	100%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (13)	2004 (13)	2009 (10)

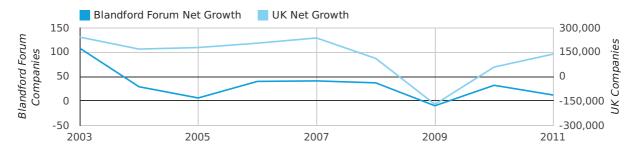
A total of 12 companies were added to the company register for Blandford Forum in 2011. This number represents growth of 9.4% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 20 companies lower than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Blandford Forum company register grew by 108 companies.

YEAR	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	12	138,347
2010	32	58,126
2009	-10	-171,098
2008	37	111,302
2007	41	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (108)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

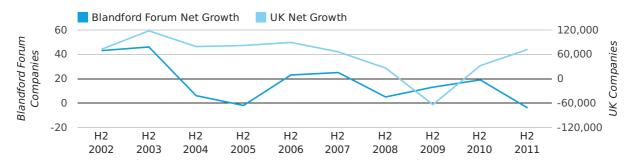


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Blandford Forum decreased by 4 companies. This figure is 121.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	-4	71,922
2010	19	32,008
% CHANGE	-121.1%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (46)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year

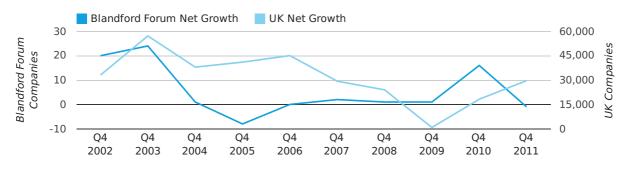


Net company growth for Blandford Forum during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was -1 companies.

This represents a decrease of 106.3% on the same period last year.

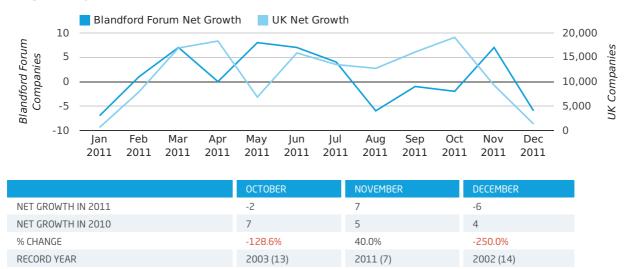
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BLANDFORD FORUM	UK
2011	-1	29,640
2010	16	18,221
% CHANGE	-106.3%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (24)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

November 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Blandford Forum when compared to any previous November.

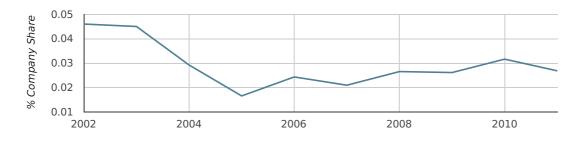


net growth by month

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

YEAR	BLANDFORD FORUM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.1%)

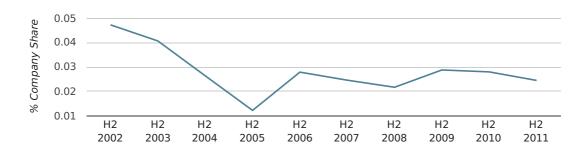
company share by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BLANDFORD FORUM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.1%)

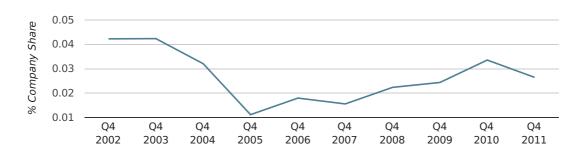


company share by half year

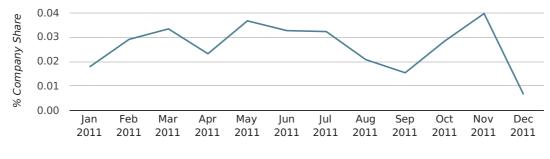
In the fourth quarter of 2011, Blandford Forum formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BLANDFORD FORUM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)



	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	-26.4%	24.1%	-78.0%
RECORD YEAR	1961 (0.2%)	1964 (0.1%)	1960 (0.2%)

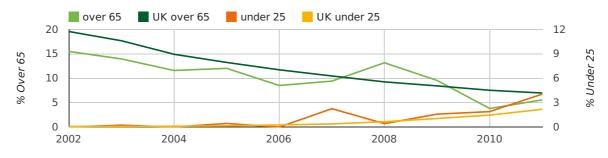
company share by month

The average age of a director in 2011 was 44.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year

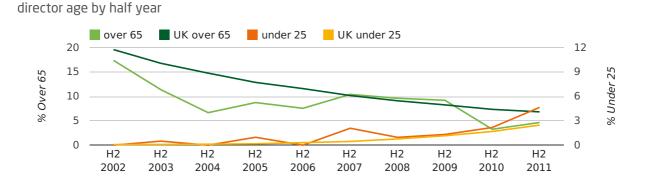


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 42.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

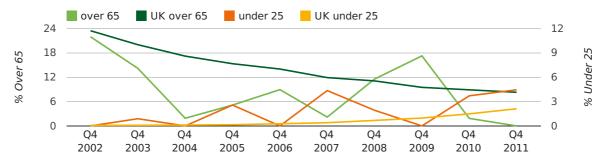


The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 39.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 0.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter



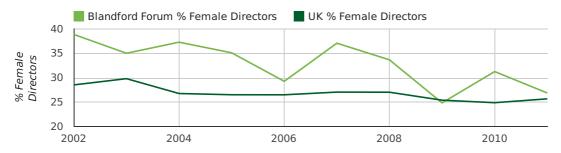
director gender

Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Blandford Forum in 2011 was 38.9%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

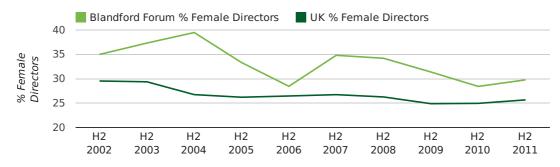


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

29.8% of all director appointments in Blandford Forum in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

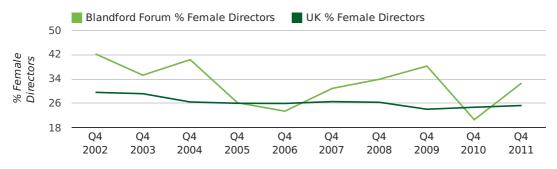
director gender by half year



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

32.7% of all director appointments in Blandford Forum 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
D	1.67%	CONSULTING	5.07%
S	1.67%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTING	1.67%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
CONSULTANTS	1.26%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTANCY	1.26%	TRADING	2.07%
ENGINEERING	1.26%	DESIGN	1.92%
В	1.26%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
MANAGEMENT	1.26%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
CONTRACTORS	1.26%	BUSINESS	1.78%
MEDICAL	0.84%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
COTTON	0.84%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
DORSET	0.84%	MEDIA	1.71%
К	0.84%	LONDON	1.63%
PROPERTIES	0.84%	J	1.51%
TVO	0.84%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DEMENTIA	0.84%	GLOBAL	1.46%
RTM	0.84%	IT	1.41%
TRAINING	0.84%	CARE	1.39%
ROAD	0.84%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
REPAIRS	0.84%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
JOINERY	0.84%	М	1.27%
FABRICATIONS	0.42%	BUILDING	1.26%
METAL	0.42%	ENERGY	1.25%
PENSION	0.42%	S	1.20%
21	0.42%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	50	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	17	57,052
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	7	12,072
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	6	32,483
43210 - Electrical installation	5	3,175
9305 - Other service activities	4	9,492
9999 - Dormant Company	4	20,199
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	4	11,768
7260 - Other computer related activities	4	7,667
7499 - Non-trading company	4	9,957
71122 - Engineering related scientific and technical consulting activities	4	812
86101 - Hospital activities	4	1,216
7414 - Business & management consultancy	3	13,034
38320 - Recovery of sorted materials	3	320
99999 - Dormant Company	3	21,846
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	3	17,765
4531 - Installation electrical wiring etc.	3	1,967
61900 - Other telecommunications activities	3	1,386
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	3	8,671
94990 - Activities of other membership organizations not elsewhere classified	2	858