

Bradford

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

- Q1 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous Q1.
- Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Bradford when compared to any quarter in history.
- March 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous March.
- March 2011 was a record month for company registrations in Bradford when compared to any month in history.
- February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous January.
- February 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Bradford when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Bradford when compared to any previous January.

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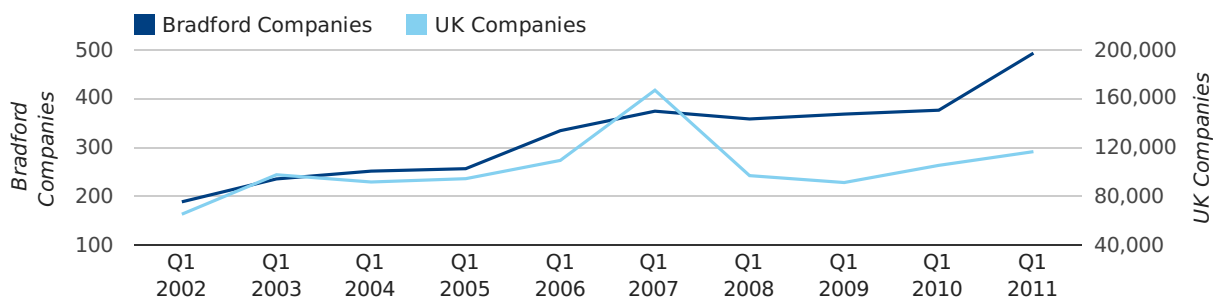
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Bradford when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 493 companies were registered in Bradford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 31.1% 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)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	493	116,391
2010	376	105,137
% CHANGE	31.1%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (493)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

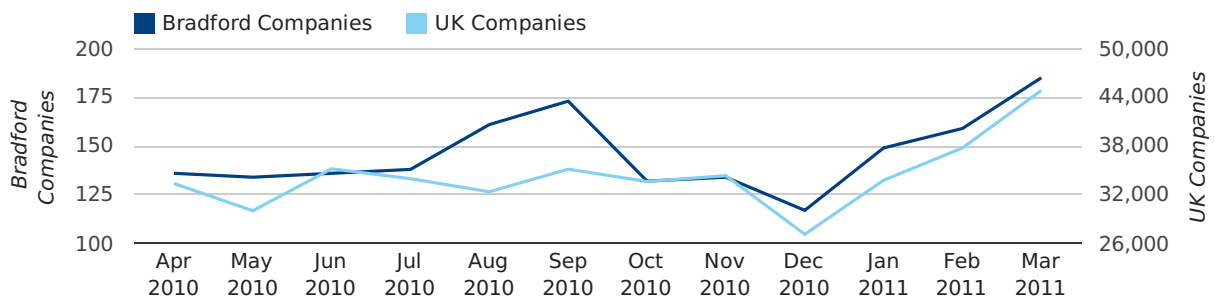
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new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	149	159	185
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	102	102	172
% CHANGE	46.1%	55.9%	7.6%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (149)	2011 (159)	2011 (185)

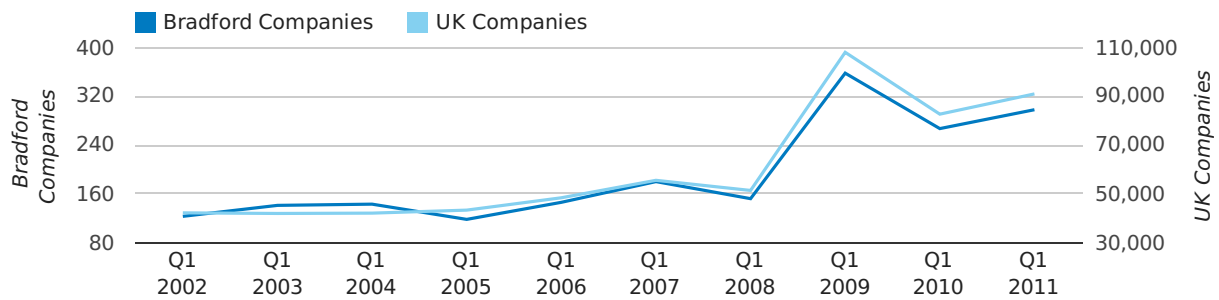
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 298 companies were dissolved in Bradford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 11.6% 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)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	298	90,986
2010	267	82,677
% CHANGE	11.6%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (358)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter

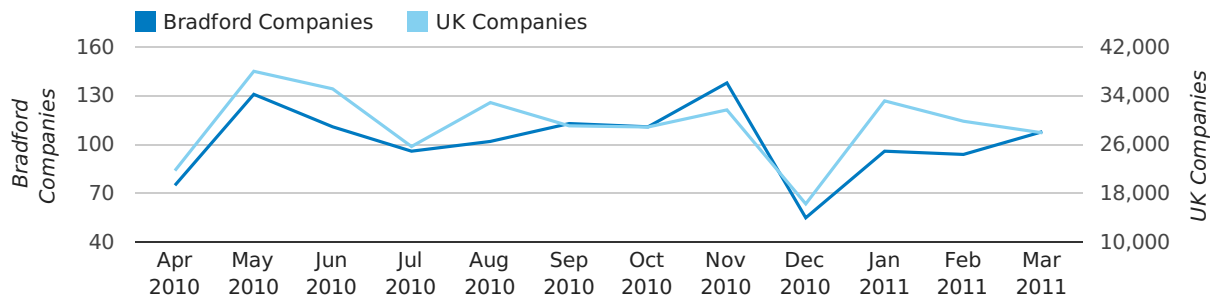


Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

February 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Bradford when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Bradford when compared to any previous January.

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	96	94	108
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	84	79	104
% CHANGE	14.3%	19.0%	4%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (96)	2011 (94)	2009 (257)

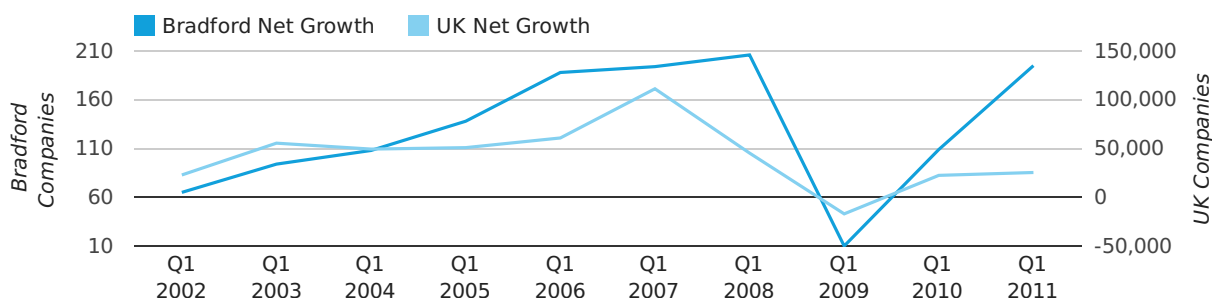
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Bradford during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 195 companies.

This represents an increase of 78.9% on the same period last year.

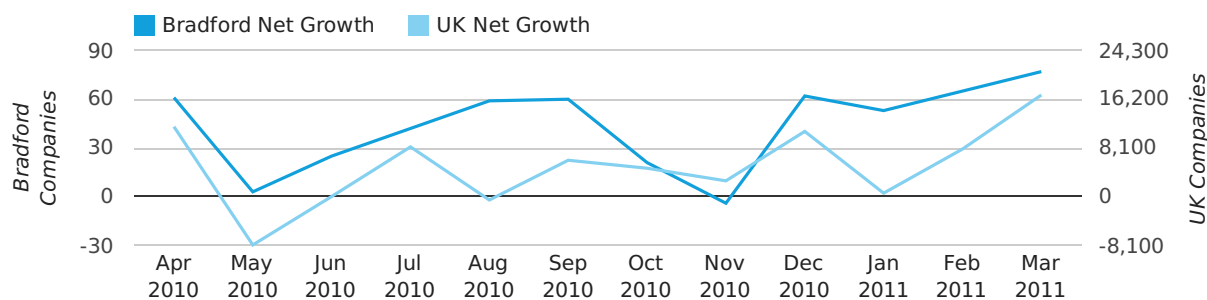
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	195	25,405
2010	109	22,460
% CHANGE	78.9%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (206)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



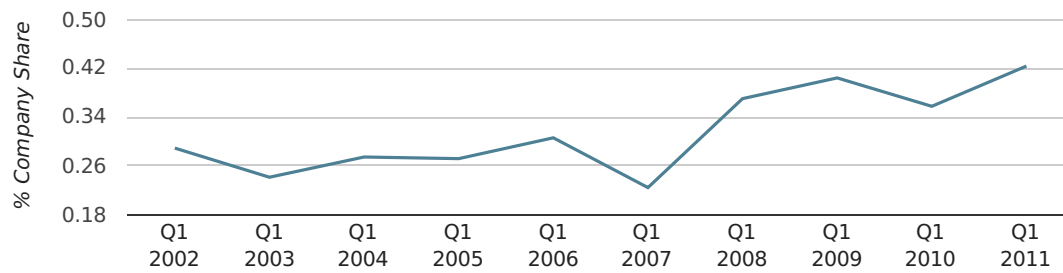
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	53	65	77
NET GROWTH IN 2010	18	23	68
% CHANGE	194.4%	182.6%	13.2%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (55)	2009 (69)	2008 (121)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Bradford formed 0.4% of all UK companies.

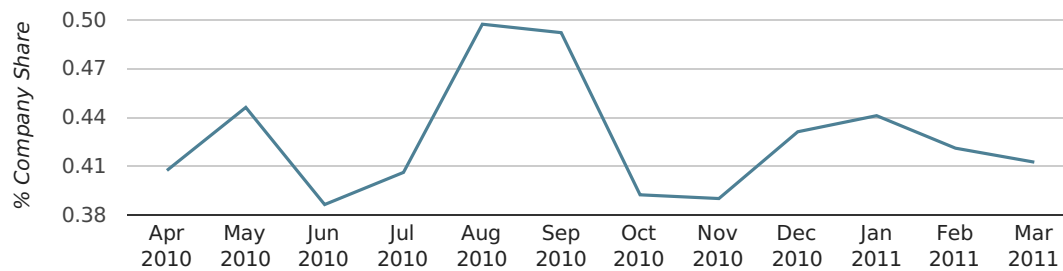
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BRADFORD
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (0.9%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%
% CHANGE	26.0%	37.1%	2.6%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.8%)	1960 (1.0%)	1967 (1.0%)

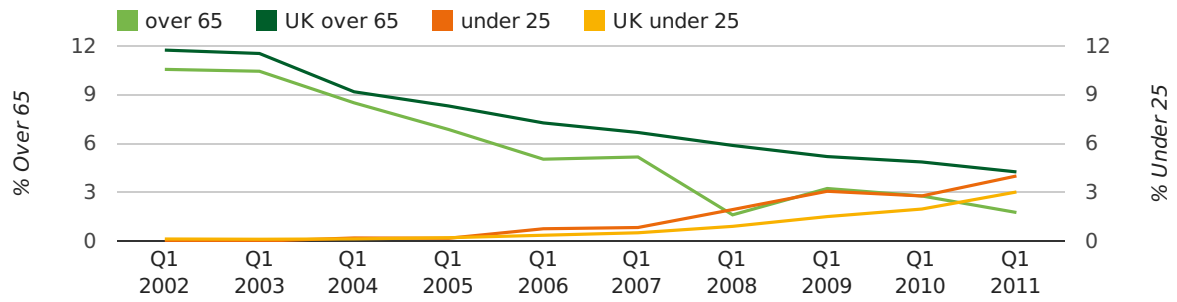
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 40.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

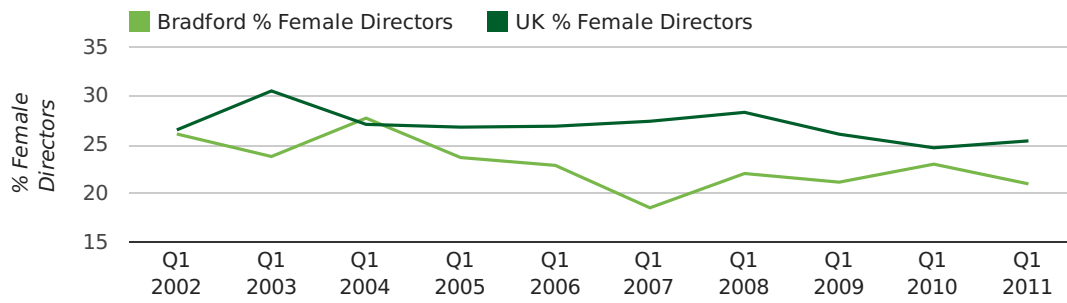


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

21.0% of all director appointments in Bradford 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
BRADFORD	1.21%	CONSULTING	5.04%
MANAGEMENT	1.17%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
LEISURE	1.05%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
S	1.01%	PROPERTY	2.38%
YORKSHIRE	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
ASSOCIATES	0.81%	DESIGN	1.93%
J	0.77%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.77%	BUSINESS	1.87%
M	0.73%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
CARE	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ENTERPRISES	0.69%	MEDIA	1.69%
INN	0.69%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
PUB	0.69%	LONDON	1.60%
BUSINESS	0.69%	CARE	1.45%
CENTRE	0.65%	J	1.45%
PUBS	0.65%	GLOBAL	1.44%
COMMUNITY	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
(BRADFORD)	0.61%	IT	1.41%
L	0.61%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
TRADING	0.61%	BUILDING	1.34%
CONSULTANCY	0.61%	M	1.30%
DIRECT	0.61%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
MEDICAL	0.61%	S	1.24%
DESIGN	0.57%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
B	0.57%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,046	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	182	60,968
5540 - Bars	78	2,075
9999 - Dormant Company	75	19,765
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	67	30,253
56302 - Public houses and bars	36	1,825
7499 - Non-trading company	35	11,316
7414 - Business & management consultancy	34	12,916
9305 - Other service activities	30	8,740
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	29	10,246
86900 - Other human health activities	28	4,092
99999 - Dormant Company	27	18,336
7260 - Other computer related activities	26	7,789
74990 - Non-trading company	25	8,695
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	24	10,085
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	21	16,150
8514 - Other human health activities	19	2,423
62090 - Other information technology service activities	18	6,996
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	17	3,895
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	16	7,788