

Bradford

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

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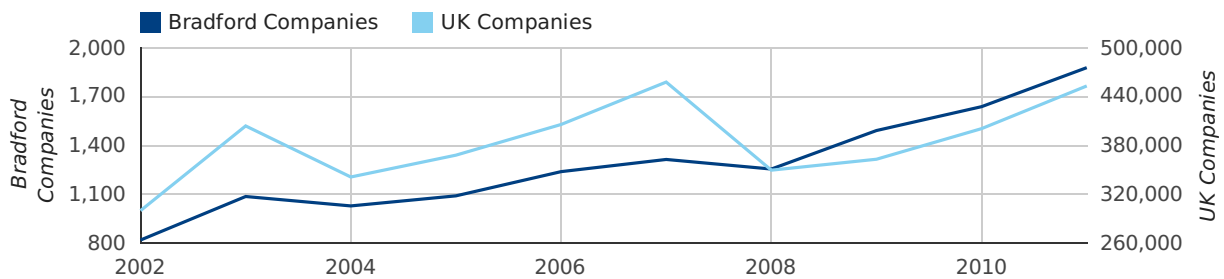
Annual Data (2011)

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

A total of 1,877 companies were formed in Bradford in 2011. This total is 14.7% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BRADFORD	UK
2011	1,877	452,870
2010	1,637	400,358
2009	1,490	362,675
2008	1,253	349,203
2007	1,312	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (1,877)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

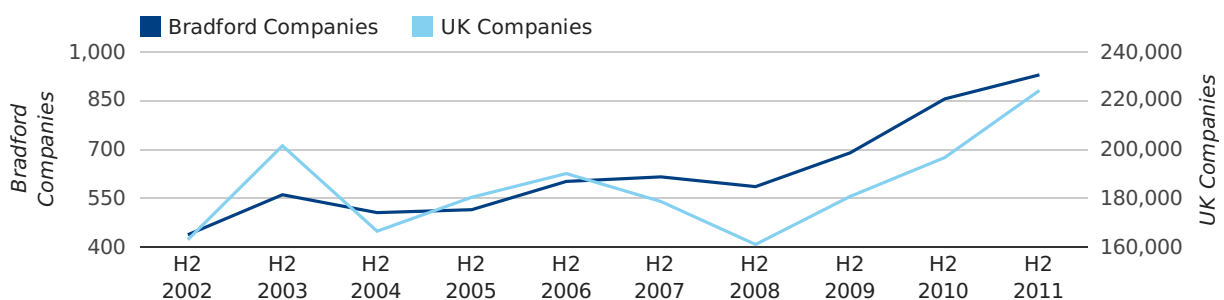
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 929 companies were formed in Bradford. This figure is 8.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Bradford occurred in 2011 when a total of 929 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	929	224,135
2010	855	196,609
% CHANGE	8.7%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (929)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

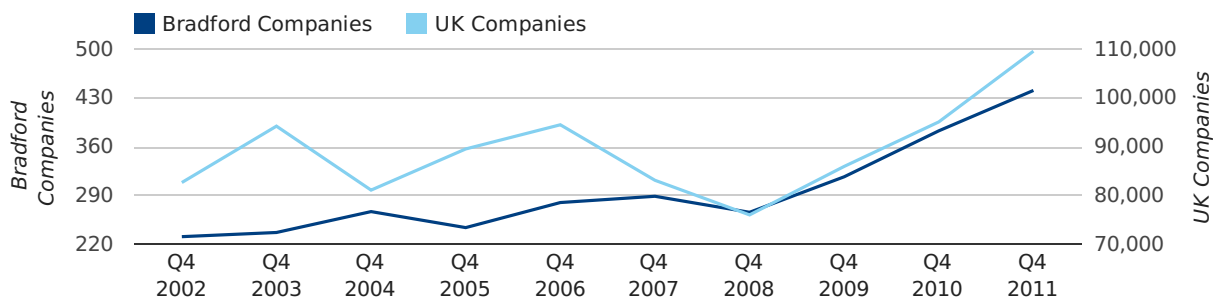
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Bradford when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 441 companies were registered in Bradford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 15.1% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares equally 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)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	441	109,623
2010	383	95,117
% CHANGE	15.1%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (441)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



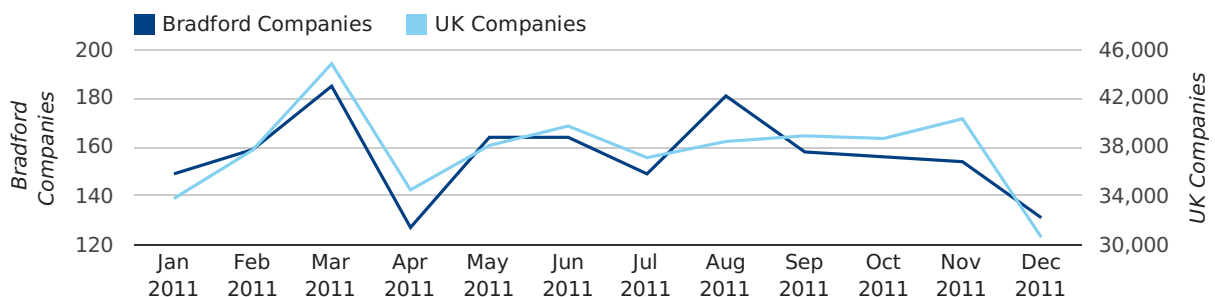
Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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new companies by month



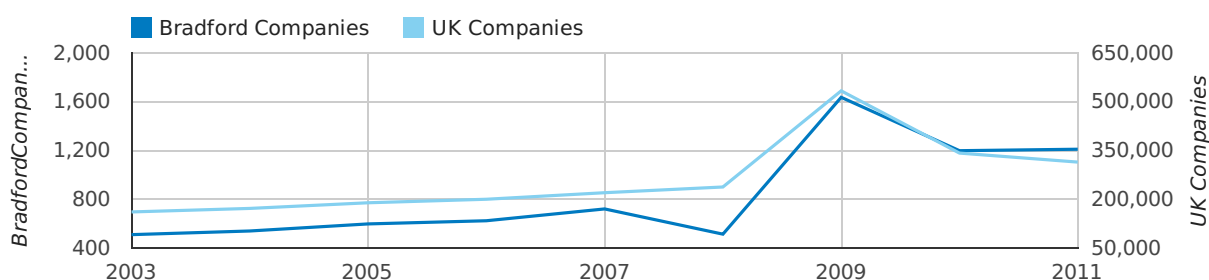
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	156	154	131
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	132	134	117
% CHANGE	18.2%	14.9%	12.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (156)	2011 (154)	2011 (131)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 1,211 companies were dissolved in Bradford in 2011. This total is 1.0% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BRADFORD	UK
2011	1,211	314,523
2010	1,199	342,232
2009	1,637	533,773
2008	514	237,901
2007	721	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,637)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



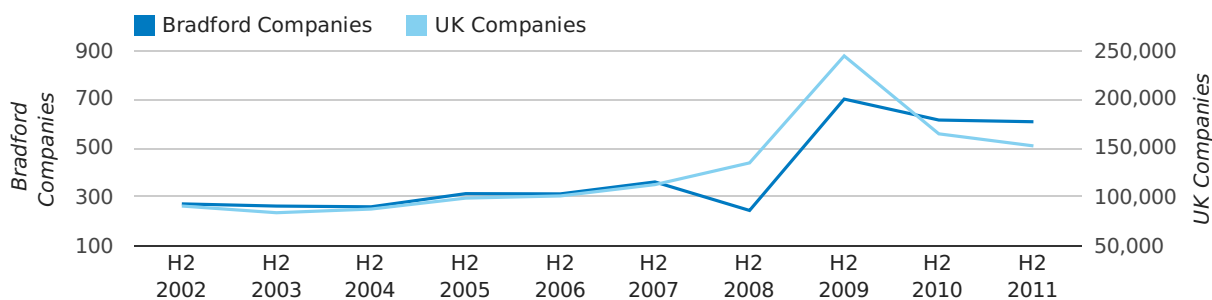
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 608 companies were dissolved in Bradford. This figure is 1.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Bradford occurred in 2009 when a total of 701 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	608	152,213
2010	615	164,601
% CHANGE	-1.1%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (701)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

A total of 344 companies were dissolved in Bradford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 13.2% 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)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	344	79,983
2010	304	76,896
% CHANGE	13.2%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (344)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

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

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	68	150	126
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	111	138	55
% CHANGE	-38.7%	8.7%	129%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (118)	2011 (150)	2011 (126)

Annual Data (2011)

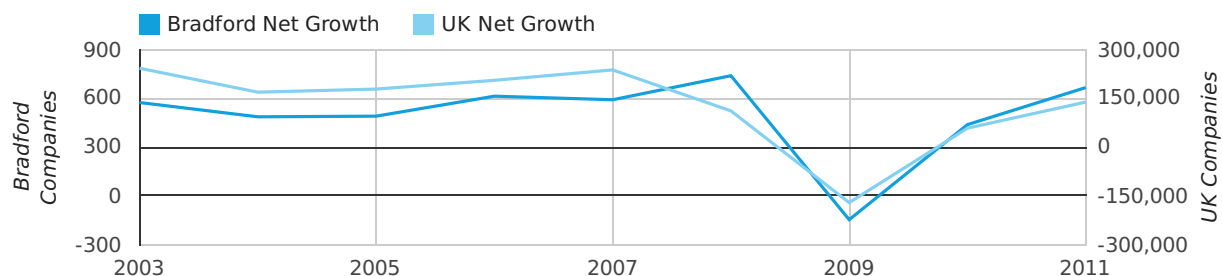
A total of 666 companies were added to the company register for Bradford in 2011. This number represents growth of 40.7% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 228 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2008 when the Bradford company register grew by 739 companies.

YEAR	BRADFORD	UK
2011	666	138,347
2010	438	58,126
2009	-147	-171,098
2008	739	111,302
2007	591	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2008 (739)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

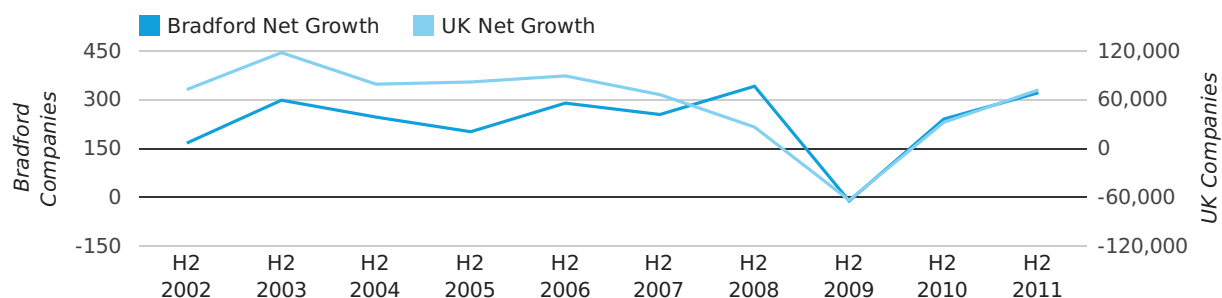


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Bradford increased by 321 companies. This figure is 33.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	321	71,922
2010	240	32,008
% CHANGE	33.8%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (341)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



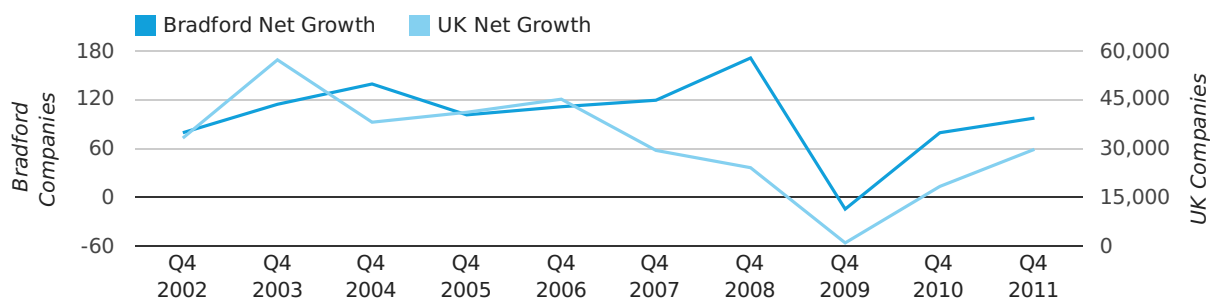
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Bradford during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 97 companies.

This represents an increase of 22.8% on the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BRADFORD	UK
2011	97	29,640
2010	79	18,221
% CHANGE	22.8%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (171)	2003 (57,175)

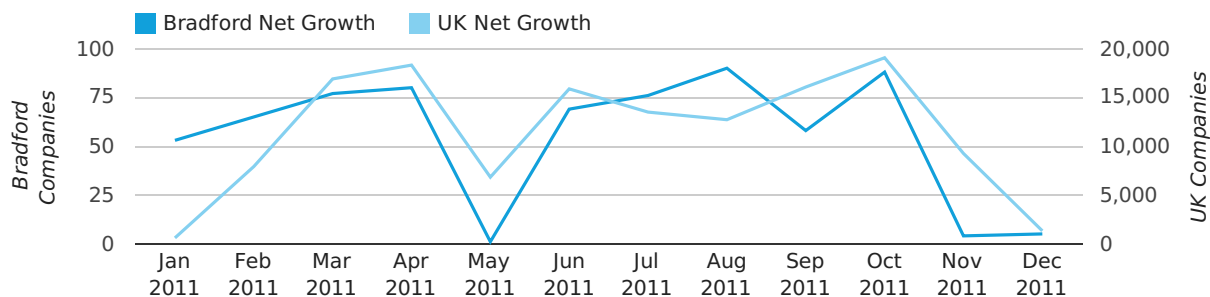
net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

October 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Bradford when compared to any previous October.

net growth by month



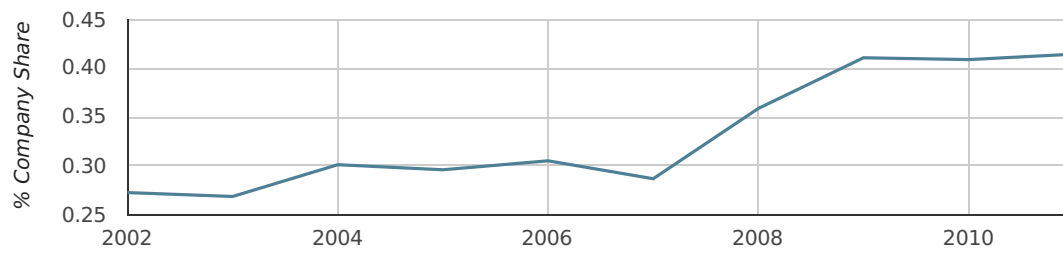
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	88	4	5
NET GROWTH IN 2010	21	-4	62
% CHANGE	319.0%	-200.0%	-91.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (88)	2004 (74)	2010 (62)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Bradford formed 0.4% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Bradford was responsible for 0.4% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BRADFORD
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1969 (0.7%)

company share by year

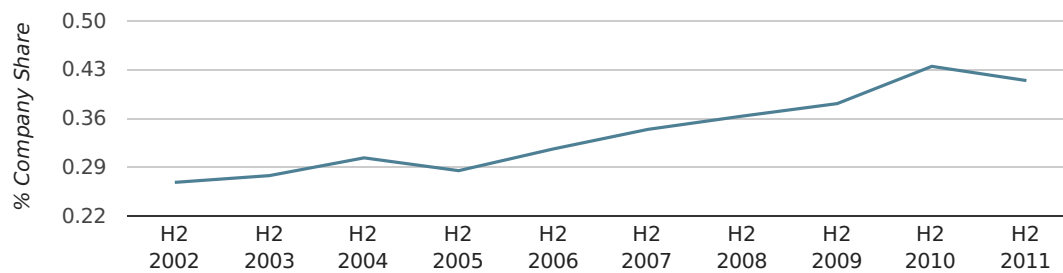


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Bradford formed 0.4% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.4%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BRADFORD
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.7%)

company share by half year

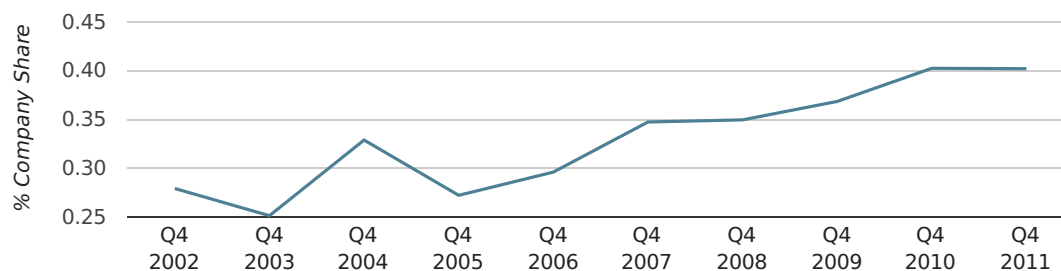


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

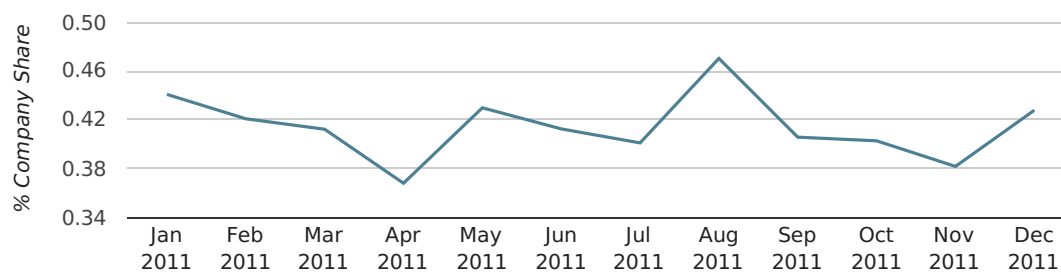
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BRADFORD
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.7%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
% CHANGE	2.7%	-2.1%	-0.7%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (1.0%)	1974 (0.8%)	1966 (0.9%)

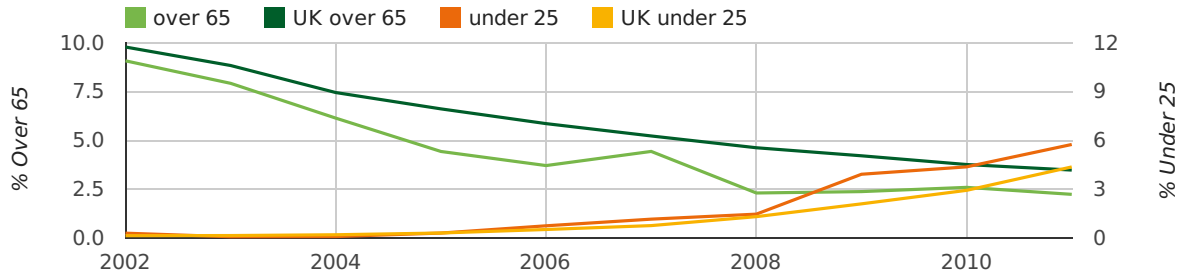
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 39.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



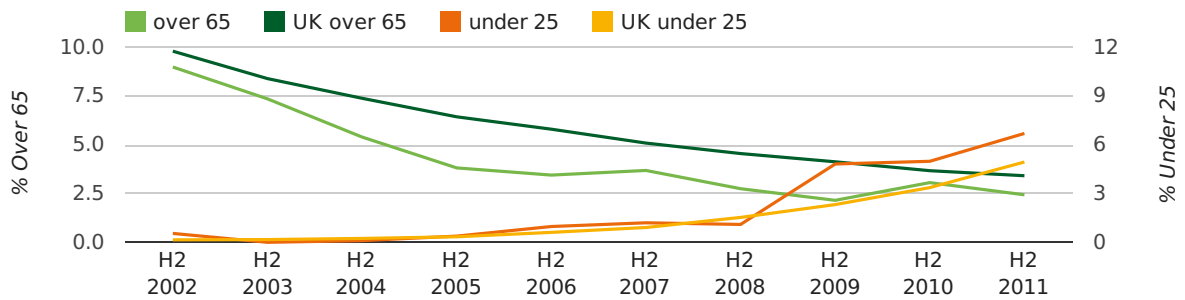
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 39.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

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director age by half year



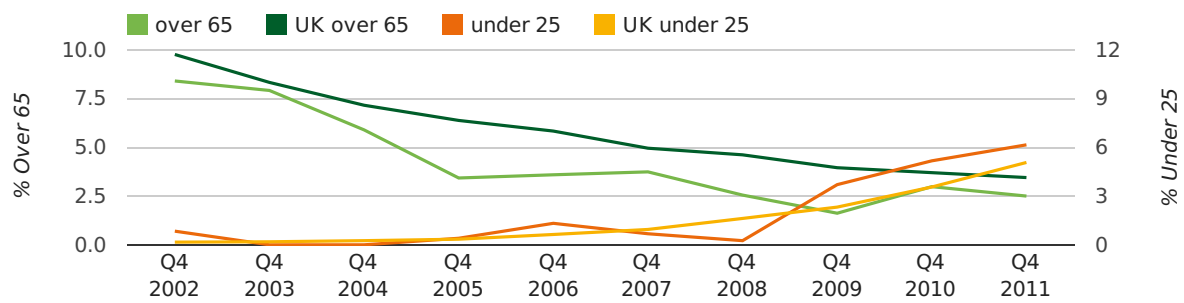
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 40.2.

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The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

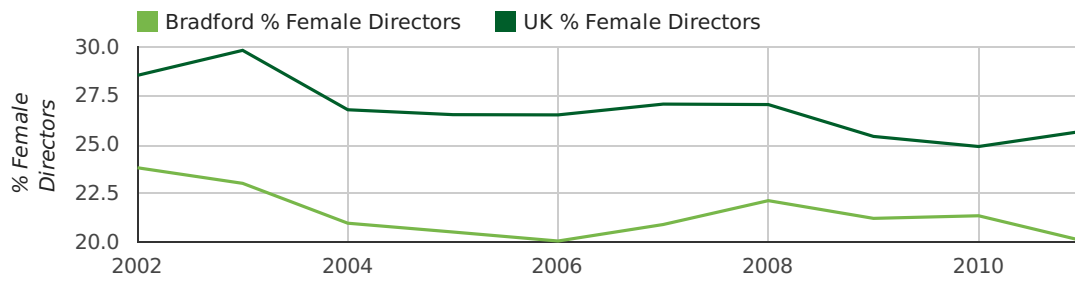


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Bradford in 2011 was 23.8%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

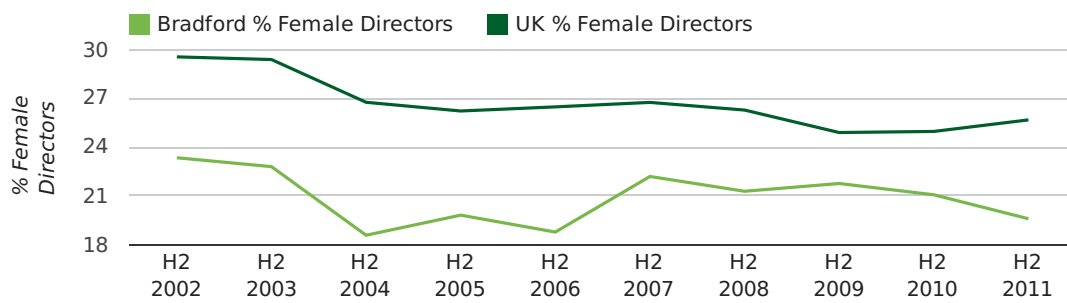


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

19.6% of all director appointments in Bradford 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

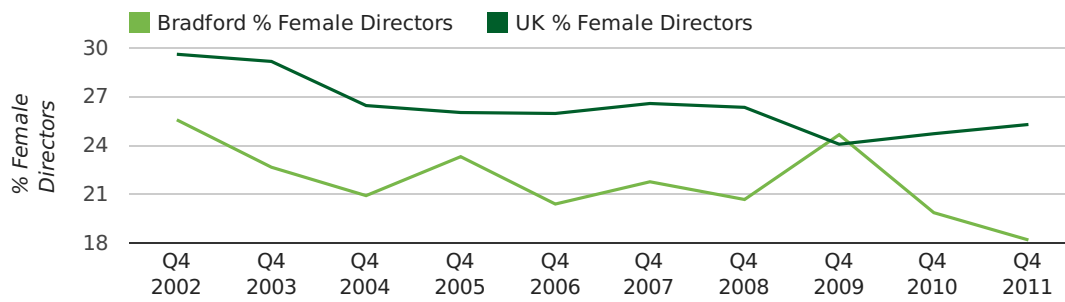


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

18.2% of all director appointments in Bradford 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	1.18%	CONSULTING	5.07%
BRADFORD	1.11%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
YORKSHIRE	0.92%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.88%	PROPERTY	2.37%
PUB	0.84%	TRADING	2.07%
TRADING	0.76%	DESIGN	1.92%
S	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
CONSULTANCY	0.72%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
CAR	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.78%
LEISURE	0.65%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
(BRADFORD)	0.61%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
CARE	0.61%	MEDIA	1.71%
PROPERTIES	0.61%	LONDON	1.63%
IT	0.61%	J	1.51%
PROPERTY	0.57%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DIRECT	0.57%	GLOBAL	1.46%
J	0.53%	IT	1.41%
CENTRE	0.53%	CARE	1.39%
HOTEL	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
CONSULTING	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
B	0.50%	M	1.27%
FINANCIAL	0.50%	BUILDING	1.26%
ENTERPRISES	0.50%	ENERGY	1.25%
CONSULTANTS	0.46%	S	1.20%
D	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,143	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	196	57,052
5540 - Bars	104	2,147
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	80	32,483
9999 - Dormant Company	72	20,199
56302 - Public houses and bars	48	2,308
9305 - Other service activities	40	9,492
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	38	11,768
86900 - Other human health activities	36	4,457
99999 - Dormant Company	36	21,846
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	34	17,765
74990 - Non-trading company	33	8,929
7414 - Business & management consultancy	29	13,034
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	28	12,072
8514 - Other human health activities	25	2,637
7499 - Non-trading company	24	9,957
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	20	4,082
7032 - Manage real estate, fee or contract	19	2,198
62090 - Other information technology service activities	18	7,493
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	18	8,671