

Brentwood

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

- Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Brentwood when compared to any previous Q1.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Brentwood when compared to any previous January.

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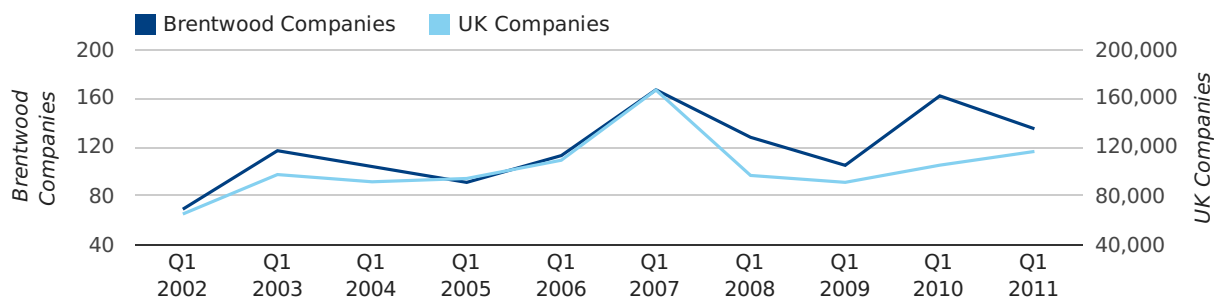
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 135 companies were registered in Brentwood during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 16.7% 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.

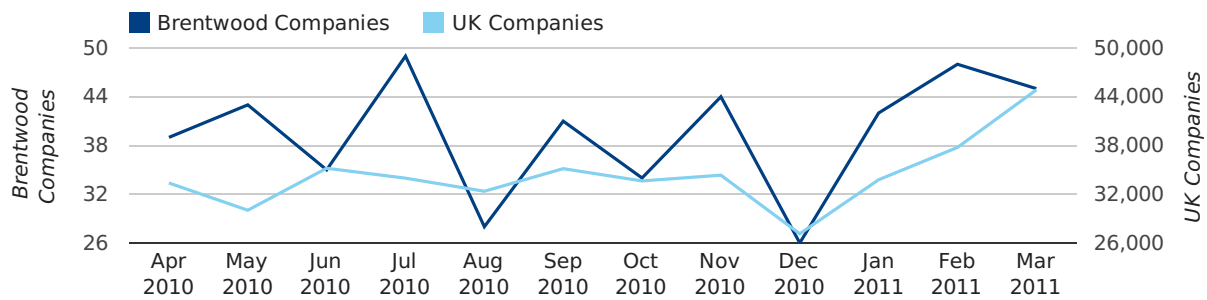
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BRENTWOOD	UK
2011	135	116,391
2010	162	105,137
% CHANGE	-16.7%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (167)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	42	48	45
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	41	51	70
% CHANGE	2.4%	-5.9%	-35.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (43)	2010 (51)	2007 (81)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

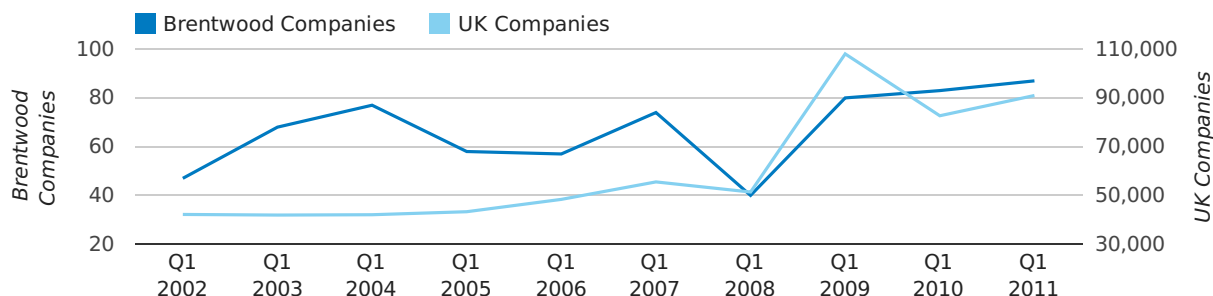
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Brentwood when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 87 companies were dissolved in Brentwood during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 4.8% 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)	BRENTWOOD	UK
2011	87	90,986
2010	83	82,677
% CHANGE	4.8%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (87)	2009 (108,060)

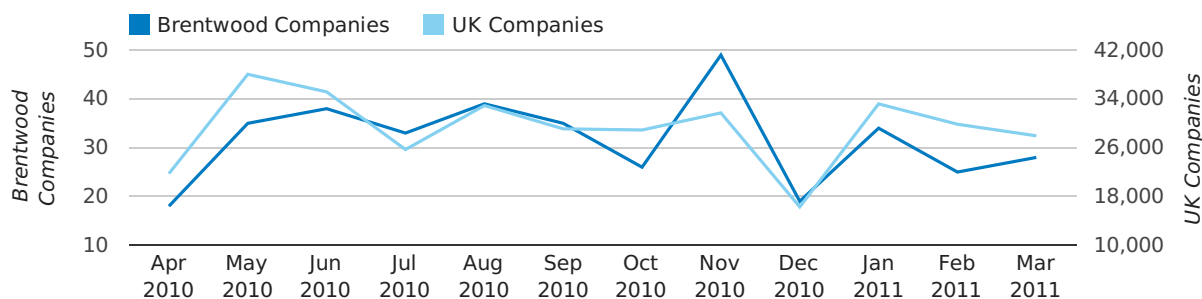
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

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

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	34	25	28
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	27	25	31
% CHANGE	25.9%	0.0%	-10%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (34)	2000 (30)	2009 (56)

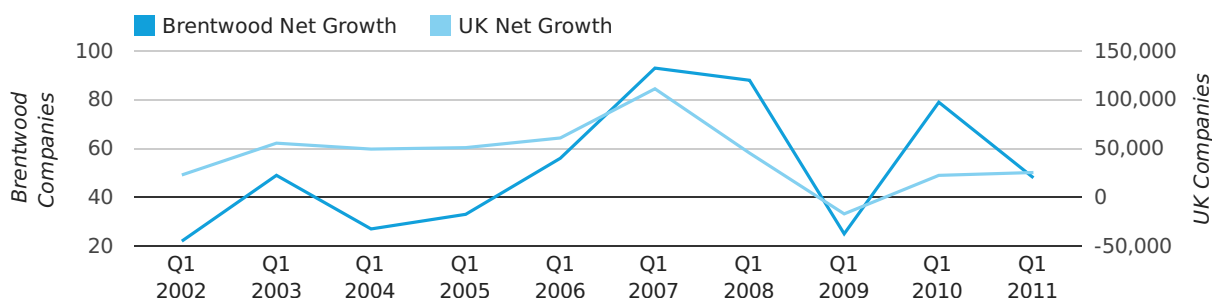
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Brentwood during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 48 companies.

This represents a decrease of 39.2% on the same period last year.

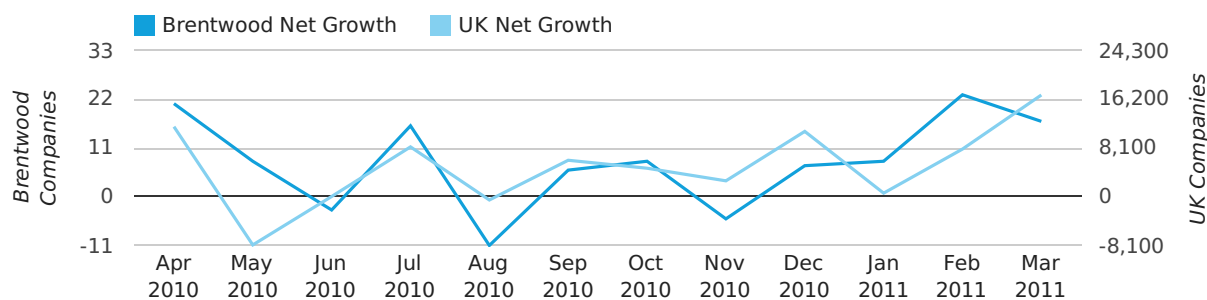
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BRENTWOOD	UK
2011	48	25,405
2010	79	22,460
% CHANGE	-39.2%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (93)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



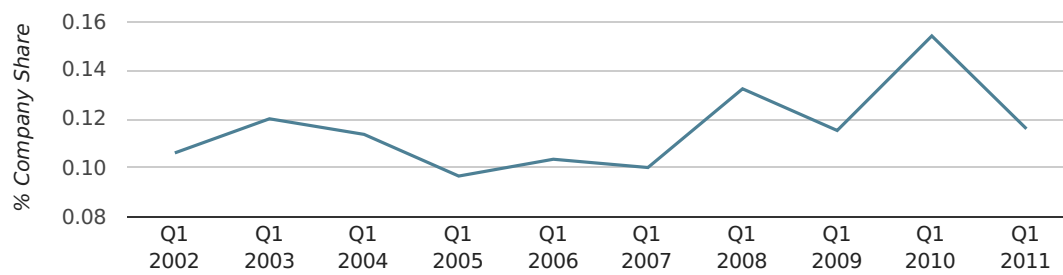
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	8	23	17
NET GROWTH IN 2010	14	26	39
% CHANGE	-42.9%	-11.5%	-56.4%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (29)	2007 (33)	2007 (51)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Brentwood formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

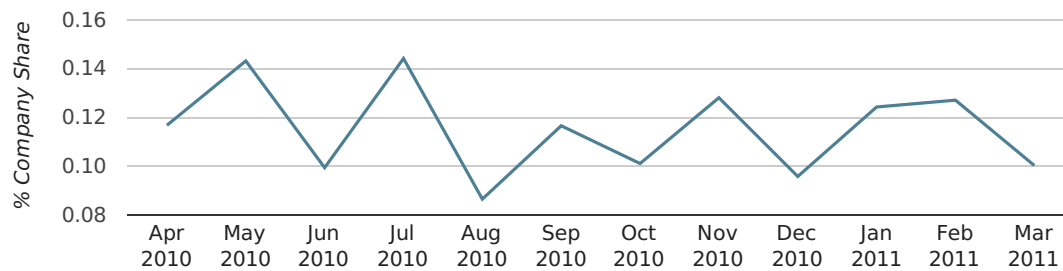
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	BRENTWOOD
2011	0.1%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (0.3%)

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%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-11.7%	-17.2%	-38.7%
RECORD YEAR	1967 (0.7%)	1962 (0.8%)	1961 (0.4%)

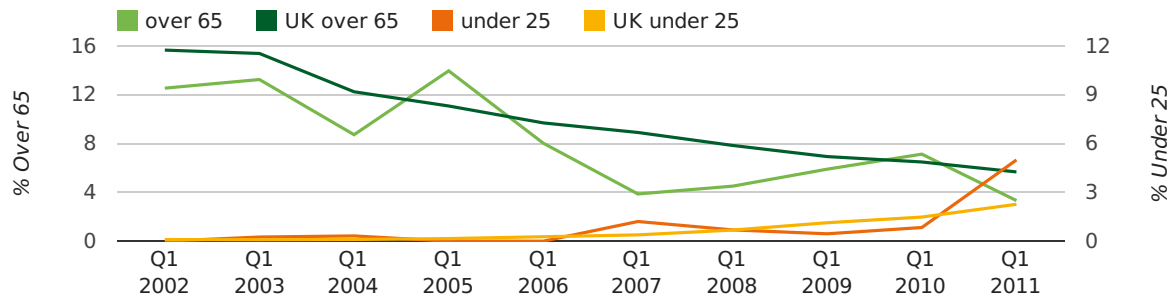
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 44.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

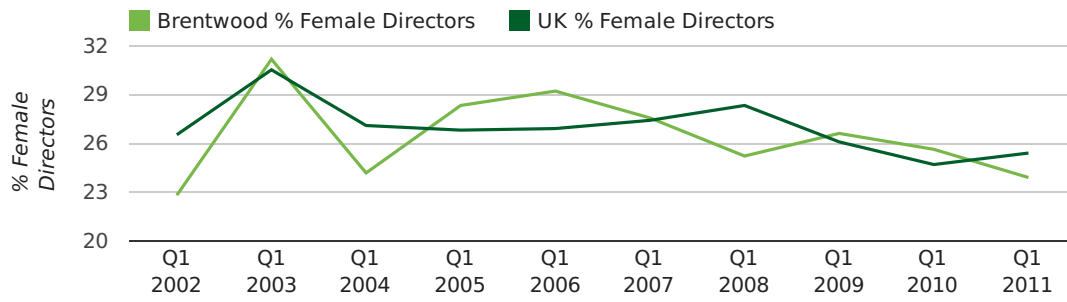


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

23.9% of all director appointments in Brentwood 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	2.55%	CONSULTING	5.04%
CONSULTING	1.58%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
ESSEX	1.09%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
ASSOCIATES	0.85%	PROPERTY	2.38%
LONDON	0.85%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANTS	0.85%	DESIGN	1.93%
TRADING	0.85%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
INVESTMENT	0.85%	BUSINESS	1.87%
PROPERTY	0.85%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
BRENTWOOD	0.85%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSULTANCY	0.73%	MEDIA	1.69%
CONSTRUCTION	0.73%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
B	0.61%	LONDON	1.60%
(ESSEX)	0.61%	CARE	1.45%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.61%	J	1.45%
IT	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.44%
ELECTRICAL	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
J	0.61%	IT	1.41%
GLOBAL	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
DESIGN	0.49%	BUILDING	1.34%
K	0.49%	M	1.30%
MEDICAL	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
MEDIA	0.49%	S	1.24%
ROAD	0.49%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
BUSINESS	0.49%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	202	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	67	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	52	30,253
99999 - Dormant Company	34	18,336
9999 - Dormant Company	31	19,765
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	22	16,150
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	15	6,183
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	15	10,085
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	14	3,097
62090 - Other information technology service activities	13	6,996
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	13	10,246
7260 - Other computer related activities	13	7,789
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	11	7,788
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	12,916
9305 - Other service activities	10	8,740
7499 - Non-trading company	10	11,316
74990 - Non-trading company	9	8,695
43210 - Electrical installation	9	3,172
5248 - Other retail specialised stores	9	1,957
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	9	3,436