

# Bristol

q1 2012 business confidence report



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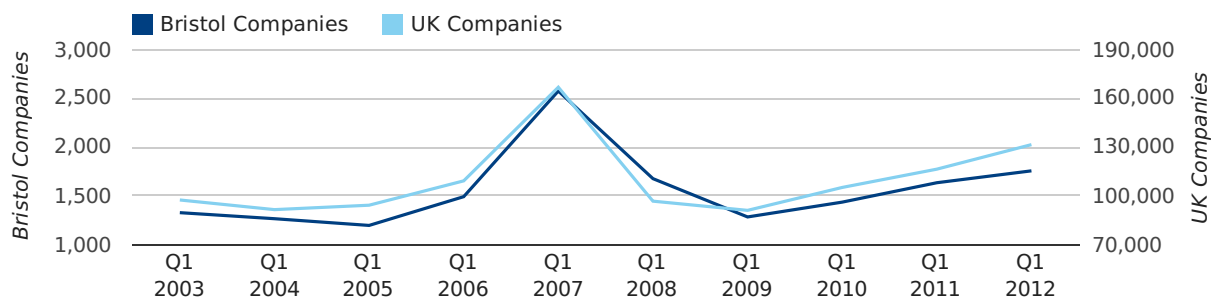
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 1,756 companies were registered in Bristol during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 7.5% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

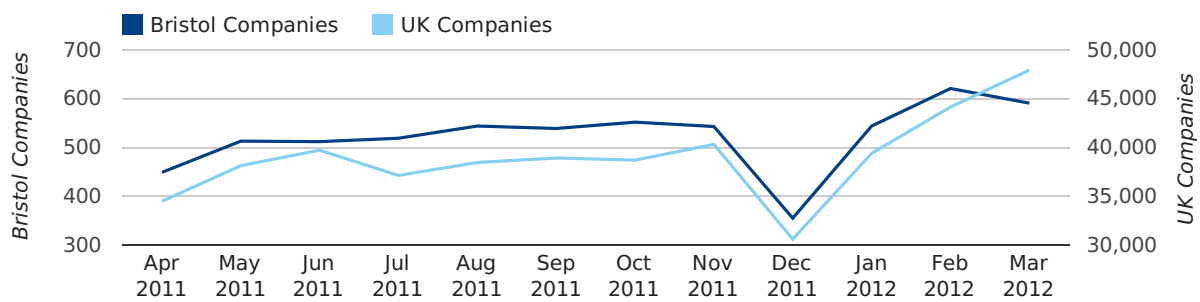
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	BRISTOL	UK
2012	1,756	131,491
2011	1,634	116,391
% CHANGE	7.5%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (2,575)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

#### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	544	621	591
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	414	562	658
% CHANGE	31.4%	10.5%	-10.2%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (601)	2007 (767)	2007 (1,207)

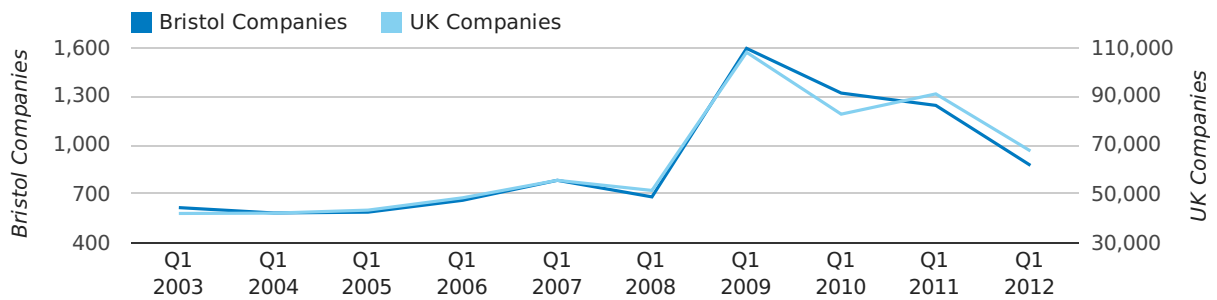
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 875 companies were dissolved in Bristol during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 29.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	BRISTOL	UK
2012	875	67,576
2011	1,244	90,986
% CHANGE	-29.7%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,595)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

#### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	277	297	301
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	456	372	416
% CHANGE	-39.3%	-20.2%	-28%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (456)	2010 (444)	2009 (1,071)

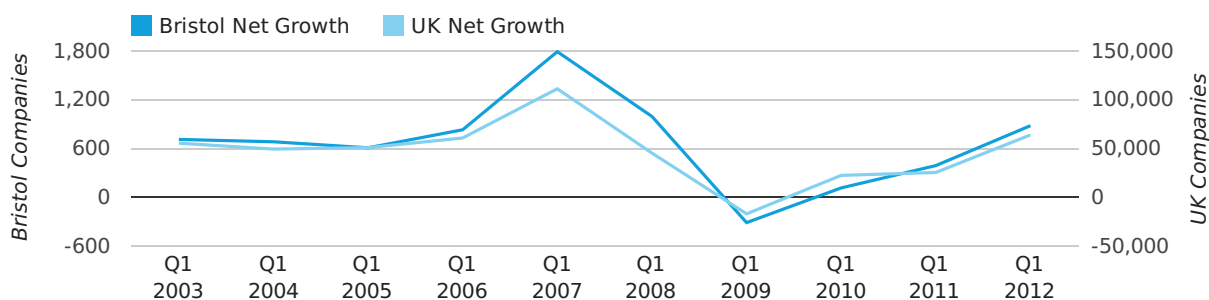
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Net company growth for Bristol during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 881 companies.

This represents an increase of 125.9% on the same period last year.

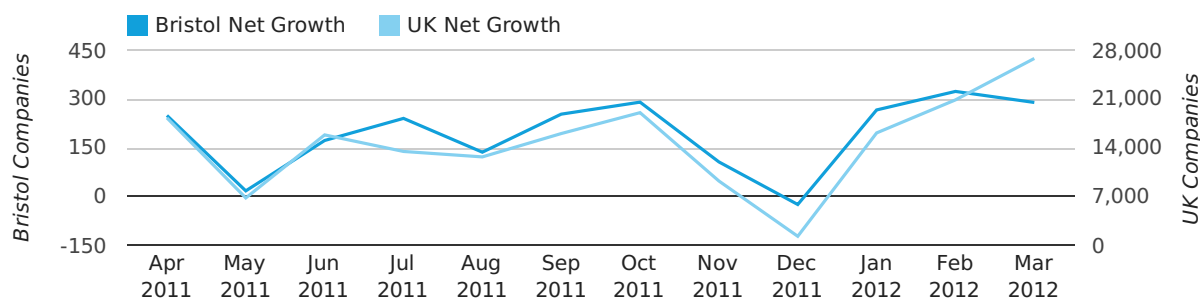
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	BRISTOL	UK
2012	881	63,915
2011	390	25,405
% CHANGE	125.9%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,792)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

#### net growth by month



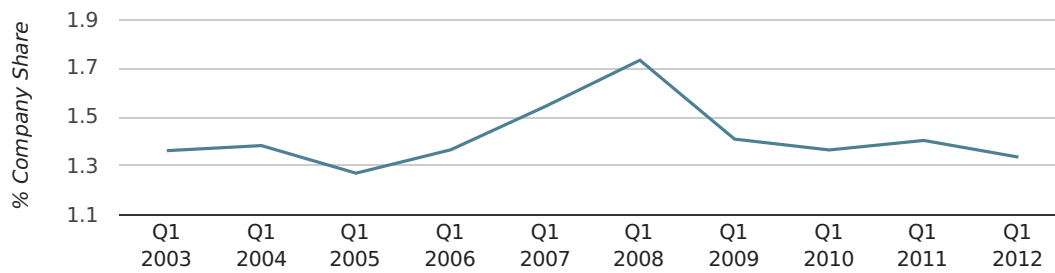
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	267	324	290
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-42	190	242
% CHANGE	-735.7%	70.5%	19.8%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (311)	2007 (544)	2007 (953)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, Bristol formed 1.3% of all UK companies.

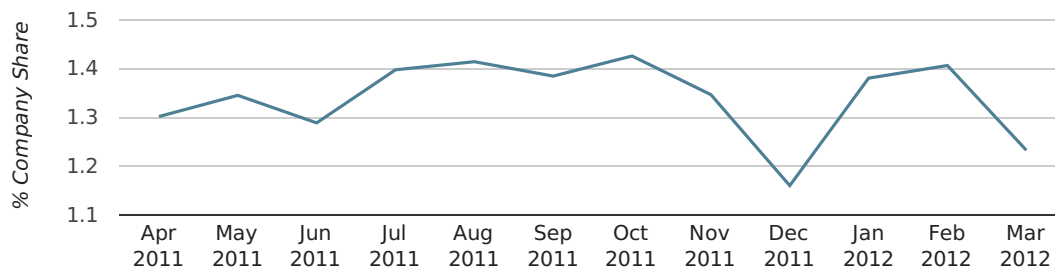
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	BRISTOL
2012	1.3%
2011	1.4%
2010	1.4%
2009	1.4%
2008	1.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1989 (4.4%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.4%	1.4%	1.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	1.2%	1.5%	1.5%
% CHANGE	12.7%	-5.5%	-16.0%
RECORD YEAR	1982 (2.1%)	1989 (7.4%)	1989 (3.9%)

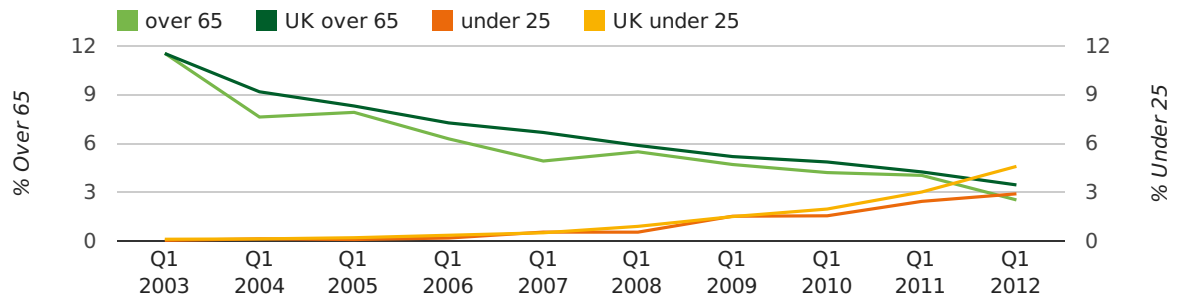
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 44.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

#### director age by quarter

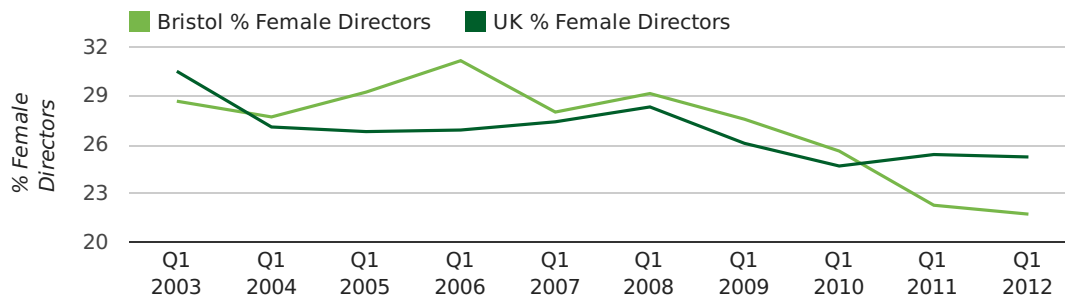


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

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

21.7% of all director appointments in Bristol in the first quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter





## Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	2.51%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.40%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
BRISTOL	2.30%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
CONSULTANCY	1.16%	PROPERTY	2.37%
(BRISTOL)	1.09%	TRADING	2.07%
DESIGN	0.97%	DESIGN	1.93%
PROPERTY	0.91%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
MEDIA	0.89%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
ASSOCIATES	0.79%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
J	0.76%	BUSINESS	1.73%
ENGINEERING	0.76%	MEDIA	1.72%
BUSINESS	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
CONSTRUCTION	0.68%	LONDON	1.66%
IT	0.65%	J	1.54%
WEST	0.64%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
ELECTRICAL	0.57%	GLOBAL	1.50%
SOUTH	0.57%	IT	1.40%
BUILDING	0.55%	CARE	1.34%
PRODUCTIONS	0.54%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
PROJECT	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
CARE	0.51%	M	1.27%
HOUSE	0.48%	BUILDING	1.24%
TRADING	0.47%	ENERGY	1.20%
CONSULTANTS	0.46%	S	1.20%
TRAINING	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	3,337	216,665
99999 - Dormant Company	543	25,084
7487 - Other business activities	505	52,735
7499 - Non-trading company	337	9,102
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	305	35,233
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	265	19,704
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	198	14,303
9999 - Dormant Company	163	18,617
7414 - Business & management consultancy	153	12,113
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	135	9,892
62090 - Other information technology service activities	111	8,145
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	101	13,637
7260 - Other computer related activities	98	7,154
9305 - Other service activities	96	8,818
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	93	4,427
74990 - Non-trading company	87	9,729
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	83	6,934
62012 - Business and domestic software development	83	4,356
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	80	5,169
41100 - Development of building projects	72	4,984