Bromsgrove

2012 half year business confidence report



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- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Bromsgrove when compared to any previous May.
- May 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Bromsgrove when compared to any previous May.

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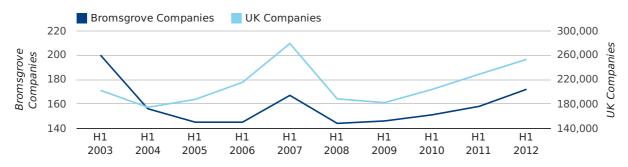
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In the first half of 2012 a total of 172 companies were formed in Bromsgrove. This figure is 8.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Bromsgrove occurred in 2003 when a total of 200 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	172	253,150
2011	158	228,735
% CHANGE	8.9%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (200)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year

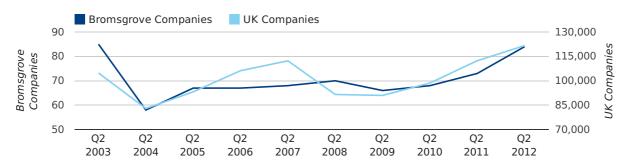


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 84 companies were registered in Bromsgrove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 15.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	84	121,659
2011	73	112,344
% CHANGE	15.1%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (85)	2012 (121,659)



new companies by quarter

May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Bromsgrove when compared to any previous May.



2012 (43)

2003 (28)

2011 (29)

new companies by month

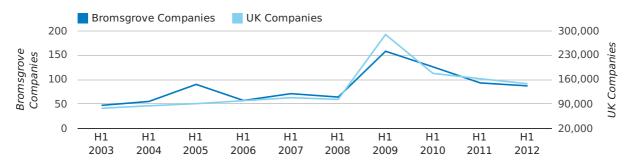
RECORD YEAR

In the first half of 2012 a total of 87 companies were dissolved in Bromsgrove. This figure is 6.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Bromsgrove occurred in 2009 when a total of 158 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	87	147,793
2011	93	162,310
% CHANGE	-6.5%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (158)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



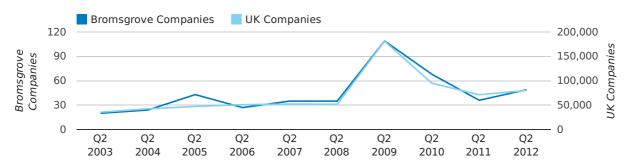
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 49 companies were dissolved in Bromsgrove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

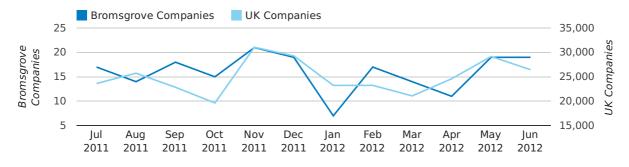
This figure is an increase of 36.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	49	80,217
2011	36	71,324
% CHANGE	36.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (109)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

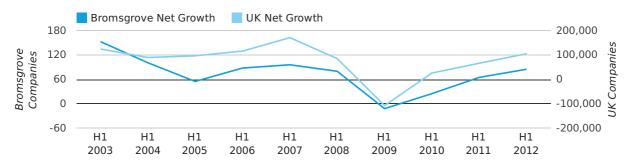


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	11	19	19
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	9	18	9
% CHANGE	22.2%	5.6%	111%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (24)	2009 (53)	2009 (38)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Bromsgrove increased by 85 companies. This figure is 30.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	85	105,357
2011	65	66,425
% CHANGE	30.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (153)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year

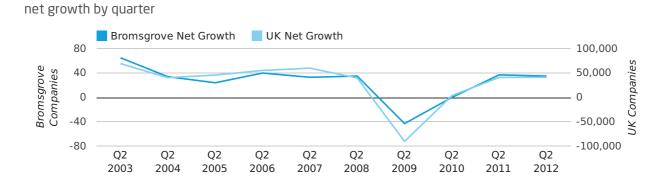


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

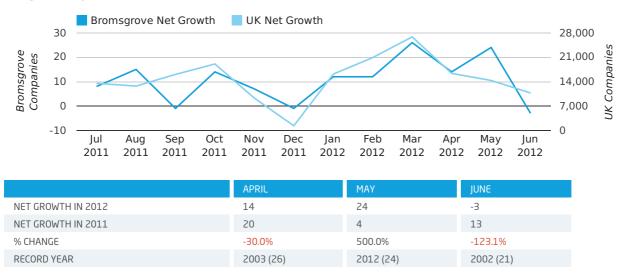
Net company growth for Bromsgrove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 35 companies.

This represents a decrease of 5.4% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BROMSGROVE	UK
2012	35	41,442
2011	37	41,020
% CHANGE	-5.4%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (65)	2003 (69,274)



May 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Bromsgrove when compared to any previous May.

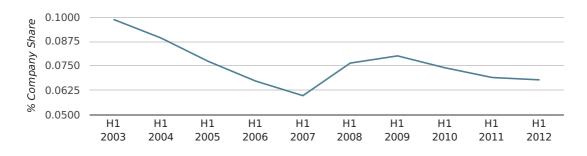


net growth by month

In the first half of 2012 Bromsgrove formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BROMSGROVE
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1982 (0.1%)

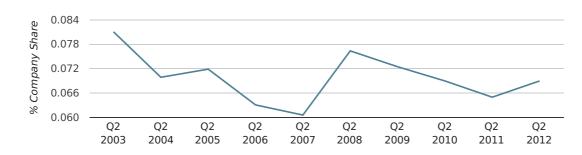
company share by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Bromsgrove formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

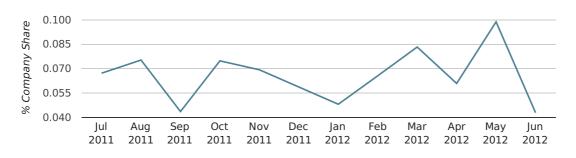
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BROMSGROVE
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1982 (0.2%)



company share by quarter

Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



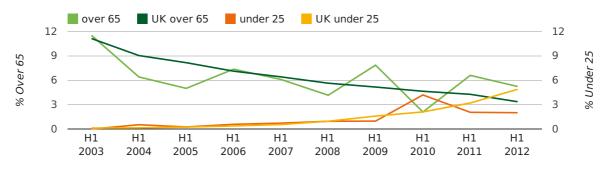
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-27.5%	71.4%	-22.4%
RECORD YEAR	1984 (0.2%)	1967 (0.4%)	1968 (0.3%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 44.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year

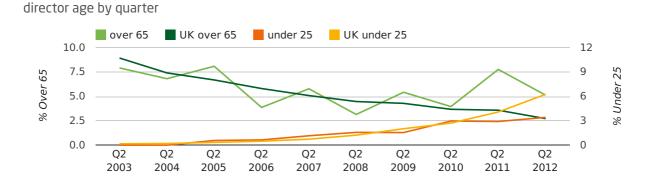


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 43.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

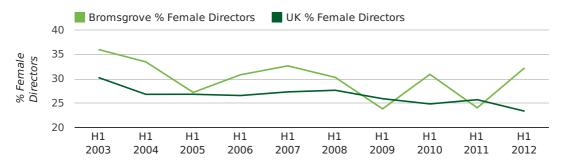
The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.



The record first half year for female directors in Bromsgrove was 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

32.3% of all director appointments in Bromsgrove in the first half of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 23.4% for the same period.

director gender by half year

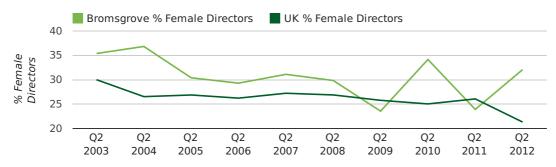


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The record second quarter for female directors in Bromsgrove was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

32.1% of all director appointments in Bromsgrove in the second quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 21.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2011-Jun 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.00%	CONSULTING	5.07%
ASSOCIATES	1.00%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
BROMSGROVE	1.00%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
CONSULTING	1.00%	PROPERTY	2.35%
PROPERTY	0.83%	TRADING	2.10%
GLOBAL	0.83%	DESIGN	1.89%
PACIFIC	0.83%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
AGILITY	0.67%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
MEDICAL	0.67%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANCY	0.67%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
ACCOUNTING	0.67%	BUSINESS	1.70%
EUROPE	0.50%	MEDIA	1.69%
D	0.50%	LONDON	1.68%
J	0.50%	J	1.57%
(MIDLANDS)	0.50%	GLOBAL	1.51%
MAINTENANCE	0.50%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
LOGISTICS	0.50%	IT	1.42%
SHOW	0.50%	CARE	1.31%
HEATING	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ELECTRICAL	0.50%	М	1.26%
SMART	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
PROPERTIES	0.50%	BUILDING	1.23%
SELECT	0.50%	SECURITY	1.19%
BOUTIQUE	0.50%	S	1.18%
RIMILIA	0.50%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	128	244,457
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	41	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	40	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	21	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	14	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	9	15,280
41100 - Development of building projects	9	5,149
7499 - Non-trading company	8	8,023
62090 - Other information technology service activities	8	8,258
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	7	10,271
43210 - Electrical installation	7	3,557
93199 - Other sports activities	7	2,095
86900 - Other human health activities	6	5,222
6523 - Other financial intermediation	6	1,596
4534 - Other building installation	6	1,741
73110 - Advertising agencies	6	2,052
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	5	2,880
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	5	4,295
7414 - Business & management consultancy	5	10,978
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	5	14,220