

Buckingham

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

- November 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckingham when compared to any previous November.
- 2011 was a record year for company closures in Buckingham when compared to any year in history.
- The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Buckingham when compared to any previous second half year.
- Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Buckingham when compared to any previous Q4.
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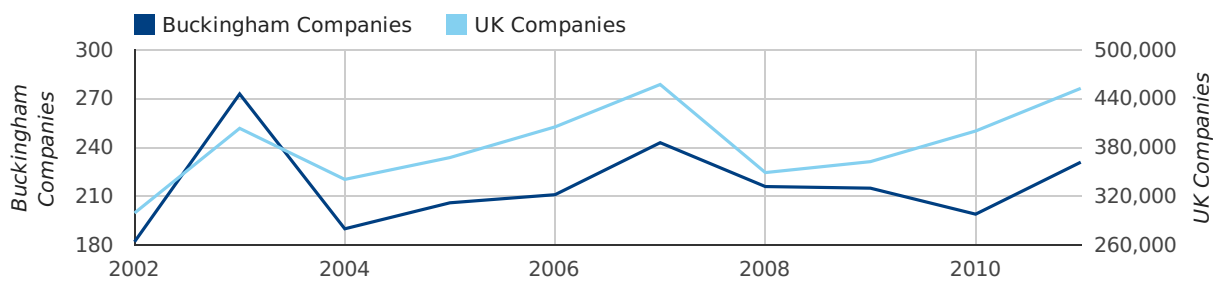
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 231 companies were formed in Buckingham in 2011. This total is 16.1% higher than in 2010 and compares poorly to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	231	452,870
2010	199	400,358
2009	215	362,675
2008	216	349,203
2007	243	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (273)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



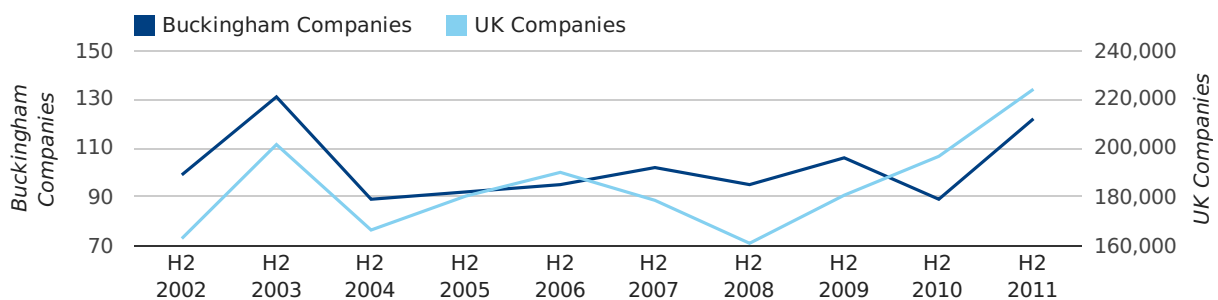
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 122 companies were formed in Buckingham. This figure is 37.1% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Buckingham occurred in 2003 when a total of 131 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	122	224,135
2010	89	196,609
% CHANGE	37.1%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (131)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



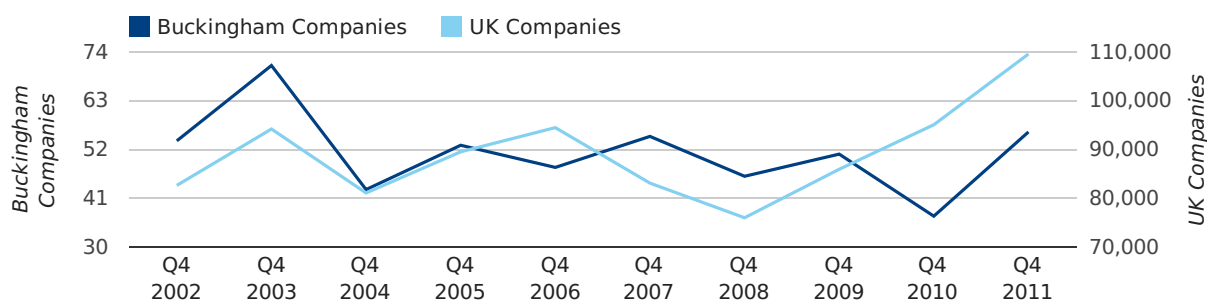
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 56 companies were registered in Buckingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 51.4% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well 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)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	56	109,623
2010	37	95,117
% CHANGE	51.4%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (71)	2011 (109,623)

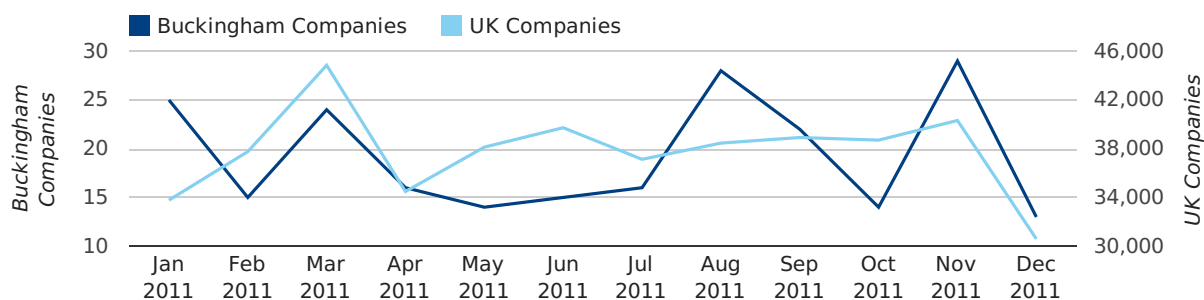
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

November 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckingham when compared to any previous November.

new companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	14	29	13
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	12	12	13
% CHANGE	16.7%	141.7%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (31)	2011 (29)	2003 (24)

Annual Data (2011)

2011 was a record year for company closures in Buckingham when compared to any year in history.

A total of 278 companies were dissolved in Buckingham in 2011. This total is 60.7% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	278	314,523
2010	173	342,232
2009	178	533,773
2008	95	237,901
2007	104	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2011 (278)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

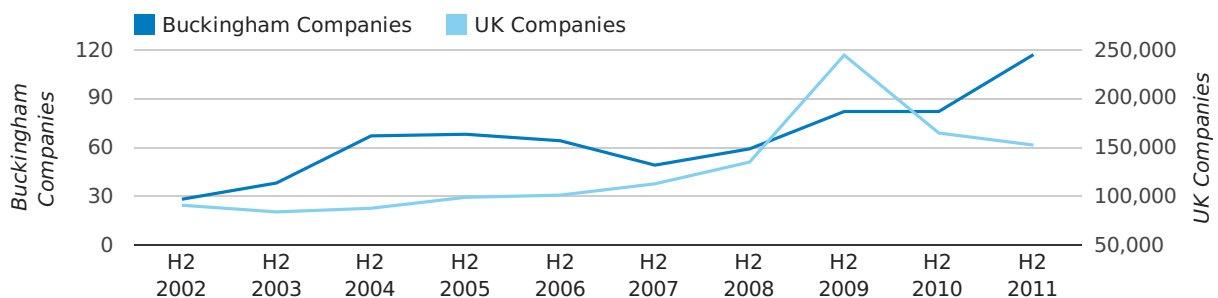
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Buckingham when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 117 companies were dissolved in Buckingham. This figure is 42.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Buckingham occurred in 2011 when a total of 117 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	117	152,213
2010	82	164,601
% CHANGE	42.7%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (117)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

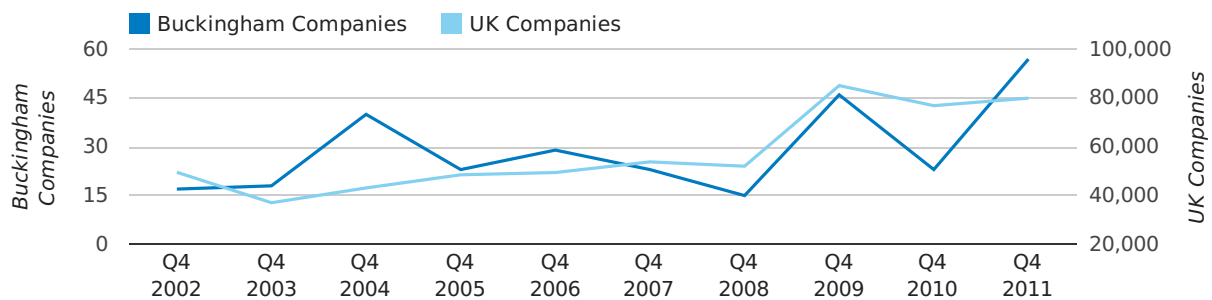
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Buckingham when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 57 companies were dissolved in Buckingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 147.8% 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)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	57	79,983
2010	23	76,896
% CHANGE	147.8%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (57)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



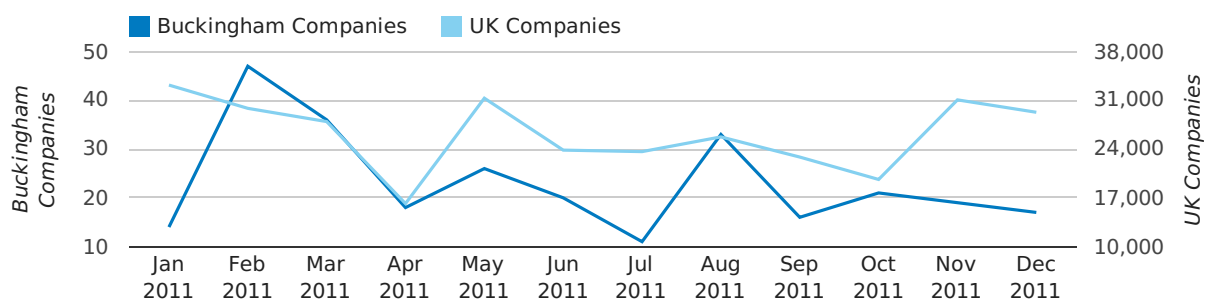
Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

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

October 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Buckingham when compared to any previous October.

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	19	17
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	9	8	6
% CHANGE	133.3%	137.5%	183%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (21)	2011 (19)	2011 (17)

Annual Data (2011)

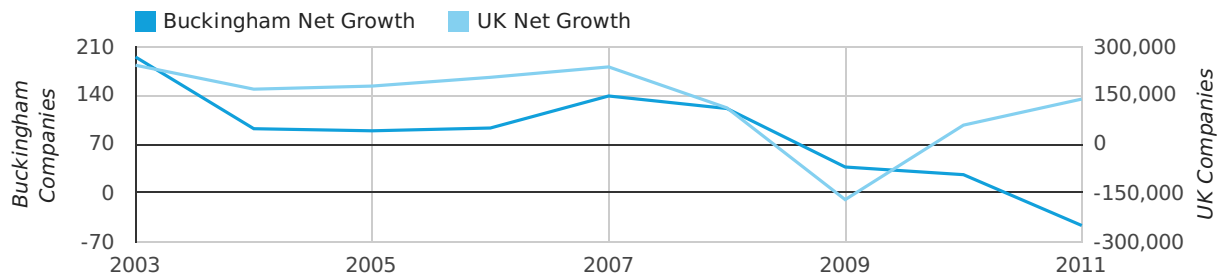
A total of -47 companies were removed to the company register for Buckingham in 2011. This number represents decline of 23.6% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 73 companies lower than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Buckingham company register grew by 195 companies.

YEAR	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	-47	138,347
2010	26	58,126
2009	37	-171,098
2008	121	111,302
2007	139	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (195)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

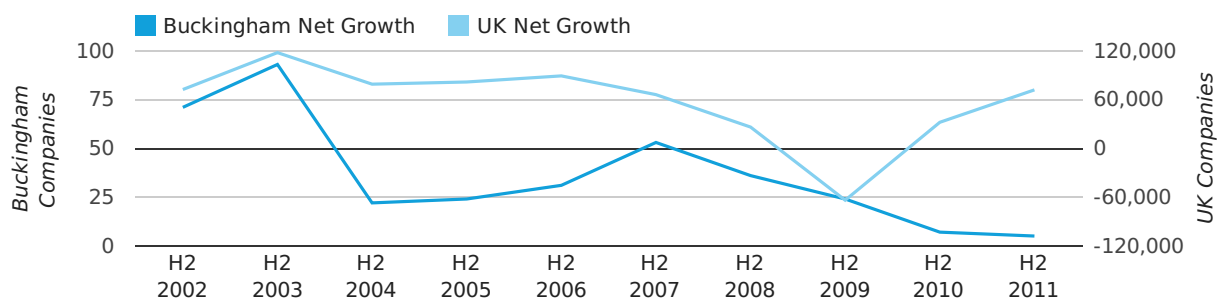


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Buckingham increased by 5 companies. This figure is 28.6% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	5	71,922
2010	7	32,008
% CHANGE	-28.6%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (93)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



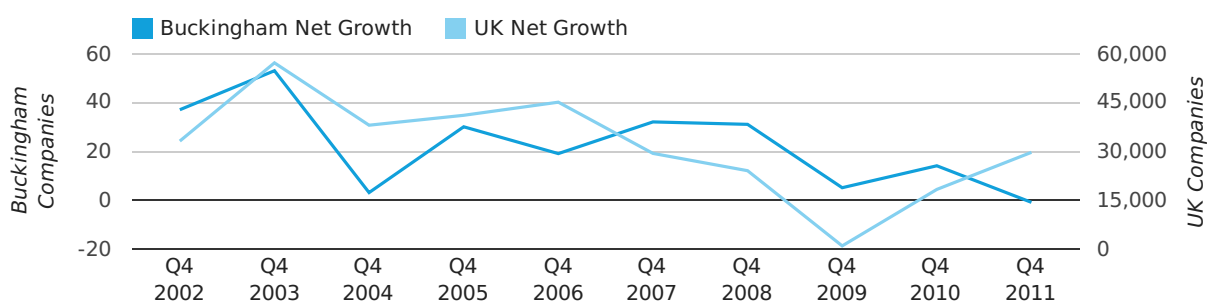
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Buckingham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was -1 companies.

This represents a decrease of 107.1% on the same period last year.

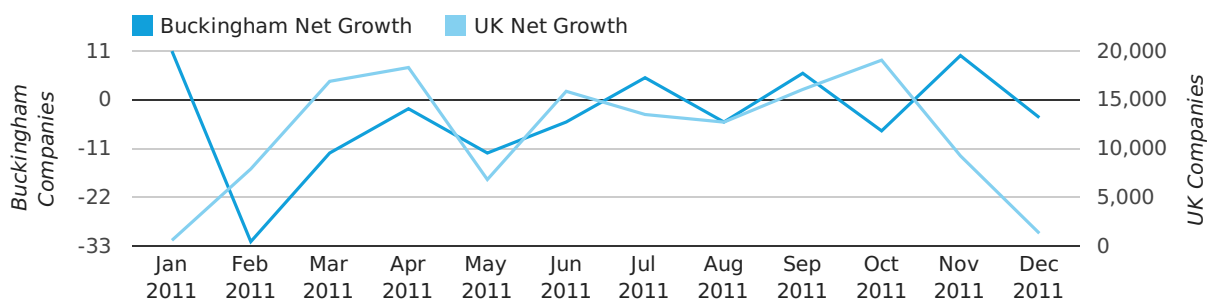
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BUCKINGHAM	UK
2011	-1	29,640
2010	14	18,221
% CHANGE	-107.1%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (53)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



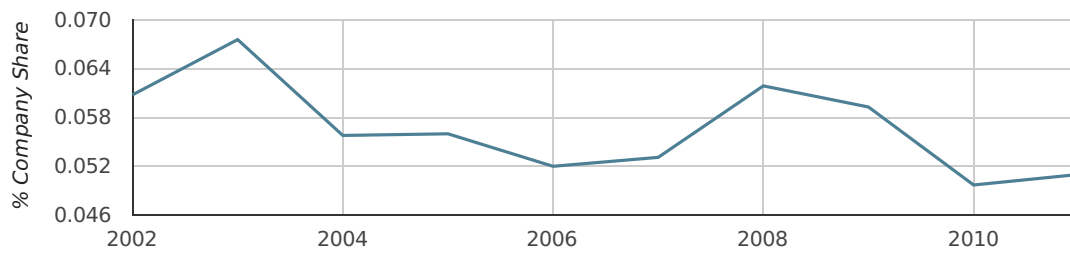
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-7	10	-4
NET GROWTH IN 2010	3	4	7
% CHANGE	-333.3%	150.0%	-157.1%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (24)	2002 (21)	2005 (20)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Buckingham formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is an improvement on 2010 when Buckingham was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BUCKINGHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1978 (0.1%)

company share by year

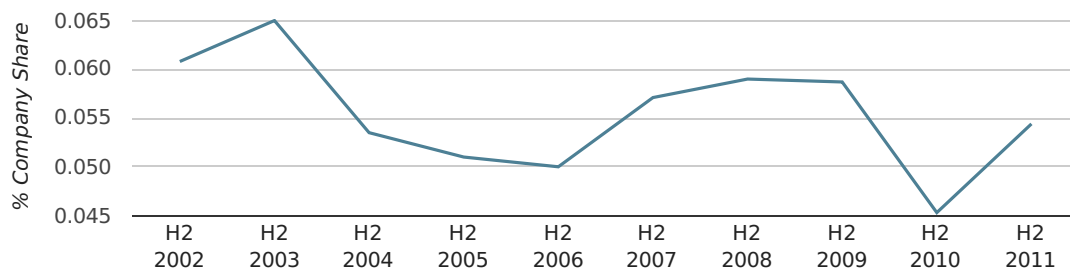


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Buckingham formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is more than the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BUCKINGHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1978 (0.1%)

company share by half year

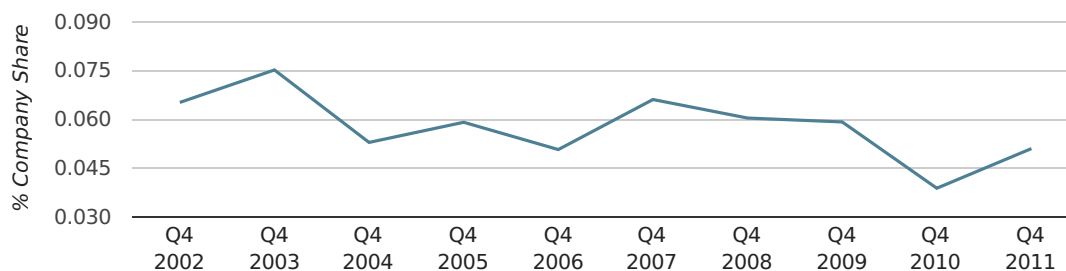


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Buckingham formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

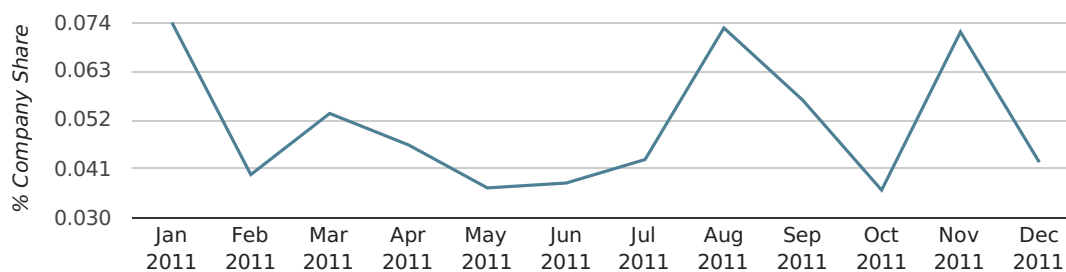
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BUCKINGHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1978 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	1.4%	106.0%	-11.3%
RECORD YEAR	1962 (0.2%)	1961 (0.2%)	1978 (0.2%)

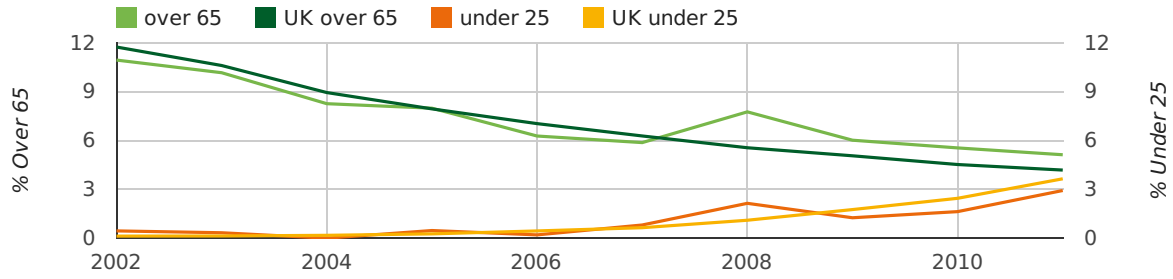
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



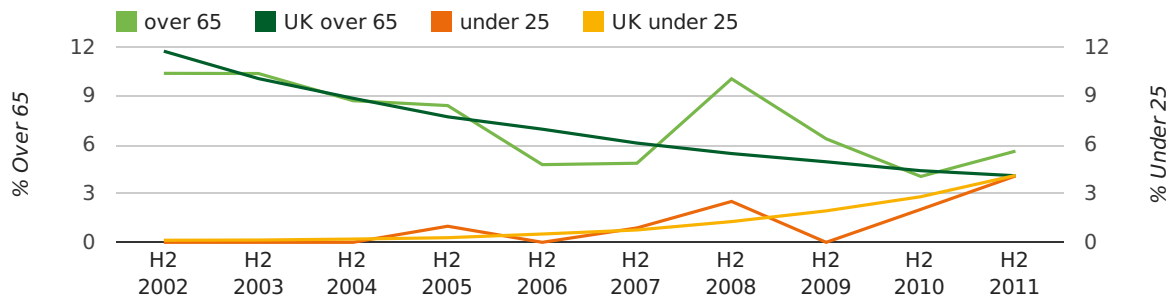
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 45.7.

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

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



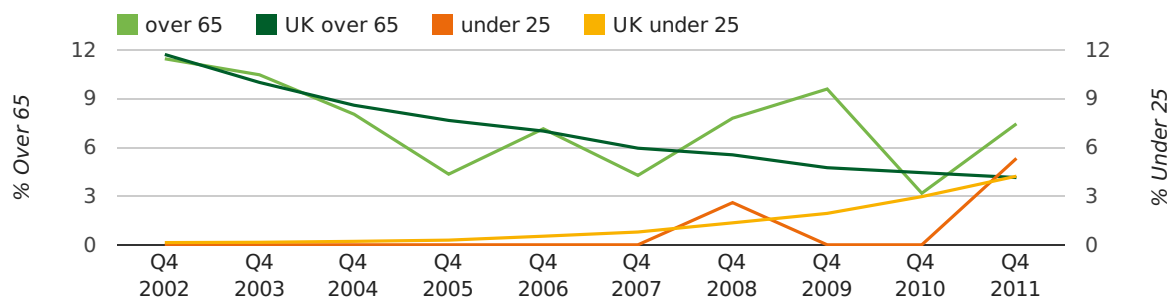
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 45.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

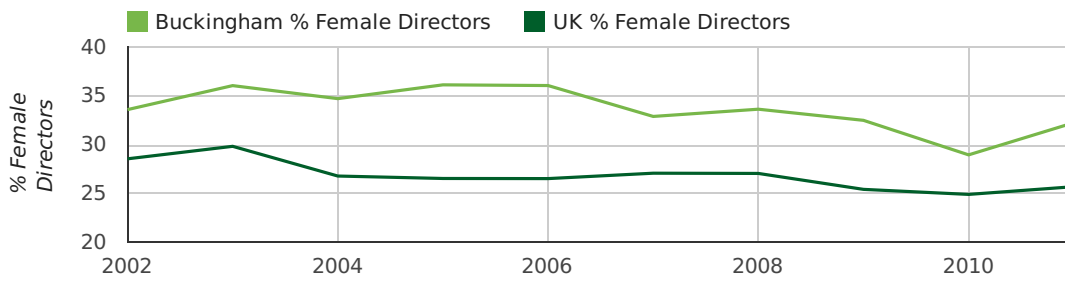


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Buckingham in 2011 was 33.6%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

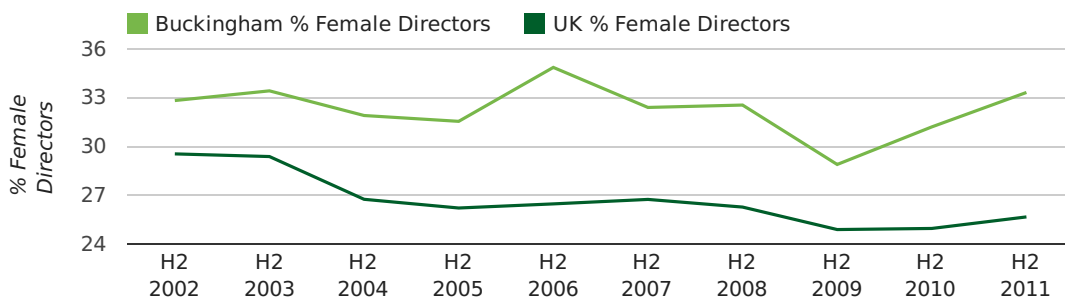


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

33.3% of all director appointments in Buckingham 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

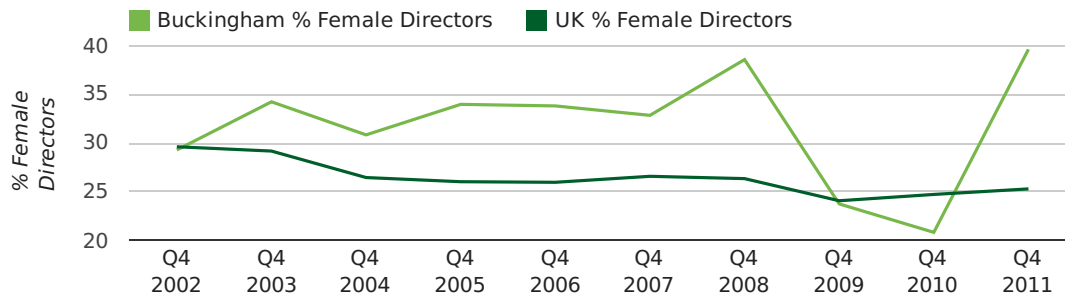


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

39.6% of all director appointments in Buckingham 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
CONSULTING	2.40%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.75%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
BUCKINGHAM	1.53%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
PROPERTY	1.09%	PROPERTY	2.37%
ELECTRICAL	0.87%	TRADING	2.07%
BUSINESS	0.87%	DESIGN	1.92%
CLAYDON	0.87%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
ENTERPRISES	0.66%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
MEDIA	0.66%	BUSINESS	1.78%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
PROPERTIES	0.66%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
ASSOCIATES	0.66%	MEDIA	1.71%
CORPORATE	0.66%	LONDON	1.63%
C	0.66%	J	1.51%
PLANNING	0.66%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
INSTALLATIONS	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.46%
SILVER	0.66%	IT	1.41%
CONSULTANTS	0.66%	CARE	1.39%
RESEARCH	0.66%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
SECURITY	0.66%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
DESIGN	0.66%	M	1.27%
HAMMERTON	0.44%	BUILDING	1.26%
FITNESS	0.44%	ENERGY	1.25%
BIG	0.44%	S	1.20%
LOGISTICS	0.44%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	73	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	43	57,052
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	39	32,483
7414 - Business & management consultancy	17	13,034
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	13	17,765
9999 - Dormant Company	10	20,199
99999 - Dormant Company	9	21,846
9305 - Other service activities	8	9,492
62090 - Other information technology service activities	8	7,493
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	7	11,768
7260 - Other computer related activities	6	7,667
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	4	12,072
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	4	4,082
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	4	7,398
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	4	3,342
93199 - Other sports activities	4	1,768
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	3	5,558
5248 - Other retail specialised stores	3	1,968
59131 - Motion picture distribution activities	3	68
94990 - Activities of other membership organizations not elsewhere classified	3	858