

# Buckinghamshire

2012 half year business confidence report



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- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any previous May.
- May 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Buckinghamshire when compared to any previous May.

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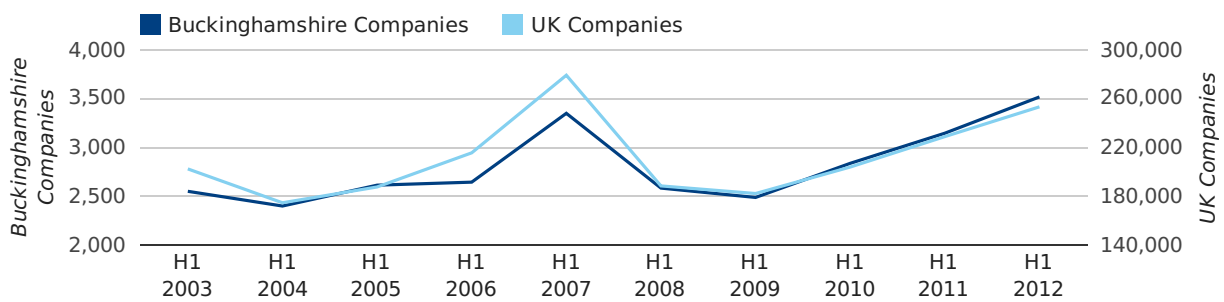
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 3,516 companies were formed in Buckinghamshire. This figure is 11.8% higher than last year, which compares equally to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Buckinghamshire occurred in 2012 when a total of 3,516 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	3,516	253,150
2011	3,144	228,735
% CHANGE	11.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (3,516)	2007 (279,097)

### new companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Buckinghamshire when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 1,667 companies were registered in Buckinghamshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 7.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	1,667	121,659
2011	1,556	112,344
% CHANGE	7.1%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (1,667)	2012 (121,659)

### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

### new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	509	638	520
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	462	533	561
% CHANGE	10.2%	19.7%	-7.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (646)	2012 (638)	2011 (561)

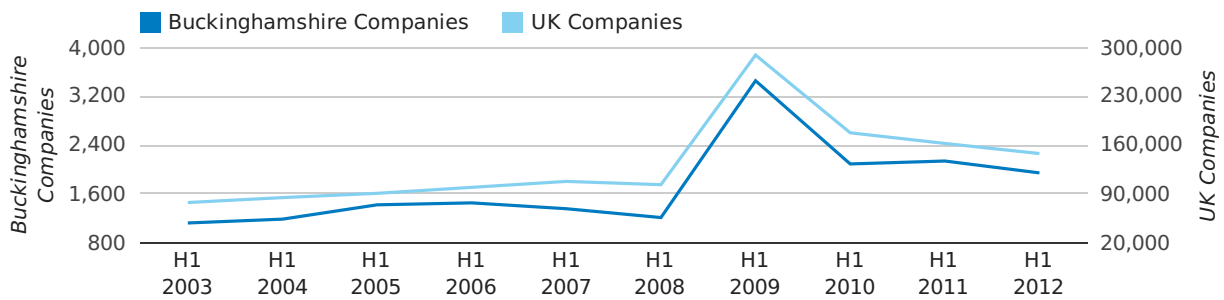
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 1,943 companies were dissolved in Buckinghamshire. This figure is 9.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Buckinghamshire occurred in 2009 when a total of 3,456 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	1,943	147,793
2011	2,138	162,310
% CHANGE	-9.1%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (3,456)	2009 (289,236)

### dissolved companies by half year



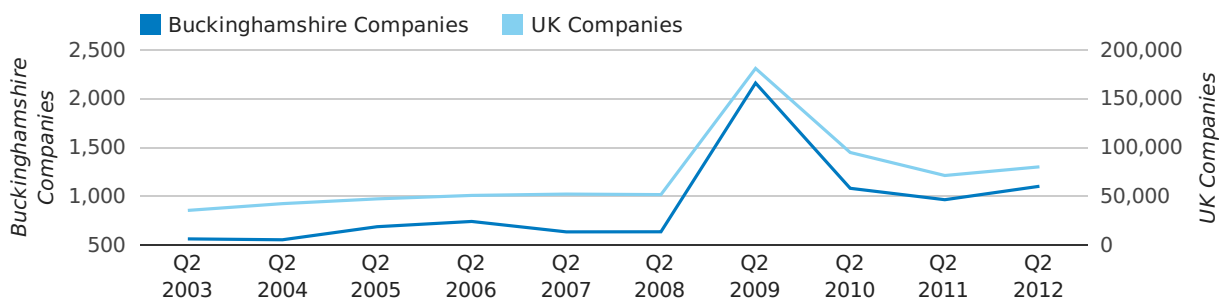
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 1,103 companies were dissolved in Buckinghamshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 14.3% 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)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	1,103	80,217
2011	965	71,324
% CHANGE	14.3%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (2,162)	2009 (181,176)

### dissolved companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## dissolved companies by month



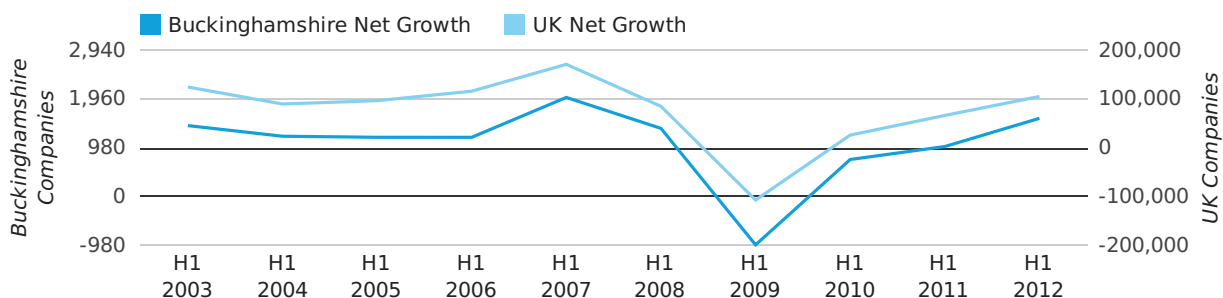
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	316	406	381
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	234	442	289
% CHANGE	35.0%	-8.1%	32%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (595)	2009 (956)	2009 (611)

### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Buckinghamshire increased by 1,573 companies. This figure is 56.4% higher than last year, which compares equally to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	1,573	105,357
2011	1,006	66,425
% CHANGE	56.4%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,993)	2007 (171,296)

### net growth by half year



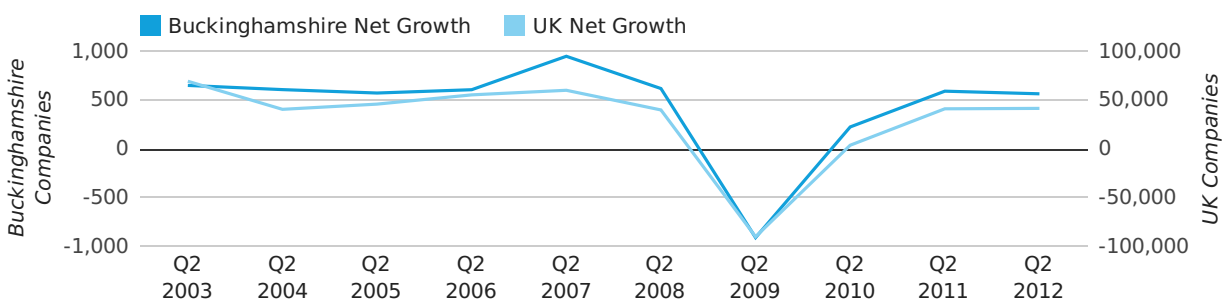
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Buckinghamshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 564 companies.

This represents a decrease of 4.6% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	UK
2012	564	41,442
2011	591	41,020
% CHANGE	-4.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (949)	2003 (69,274)

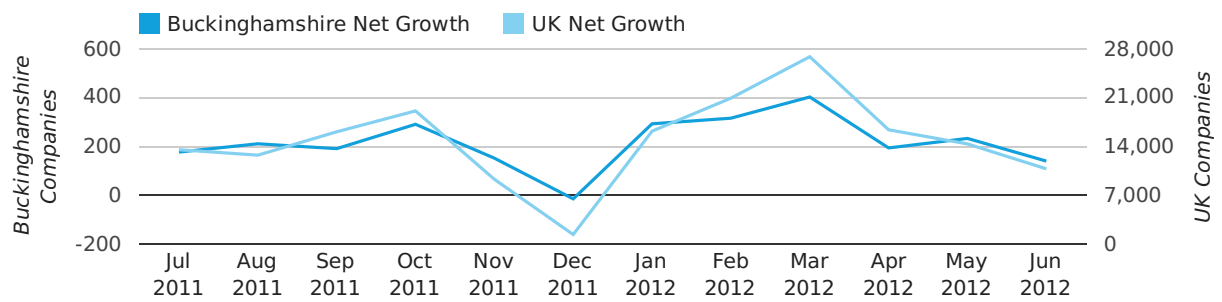
### net growth by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

### net growth by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	193	232	139
NET GROWTH IN 2011	228	91	272
% CHANGE	-15.4%	154.9%	-48.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (513)	2012 (232)	2008 (323)

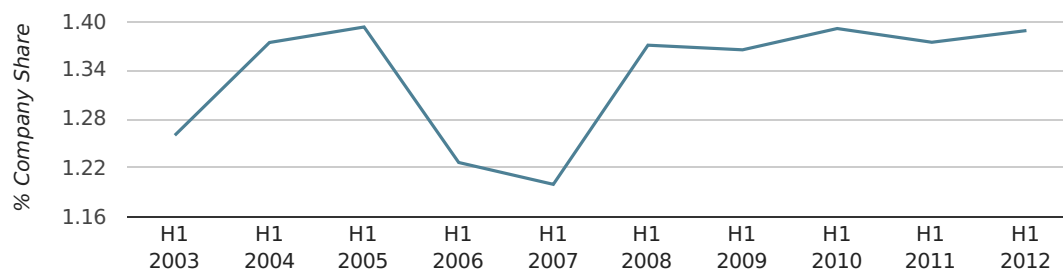


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Buckinghamshire formed 1.4% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 1.4%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
2012	1.4%
2011	1.4%
2010	1.4%
2009	1.4%
2008	1.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1977 (1.9%)

#### company share by half year

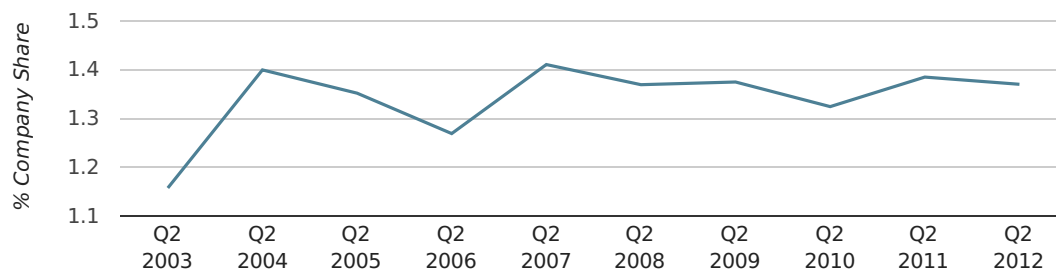


### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Buckinghamshire formed 1.4% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
2012	1.4%
2011	1.4%
2010	1.3%
2009	1.4%
2008	1.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (1.8%)

#### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

### company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.2%	1.5%	1.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%
% CHANGE	-7.2%	4.9%	-1.0%
RECORD YEAR	1977 (2.4%)	1969 (2.7%)	1971 (2.8%)

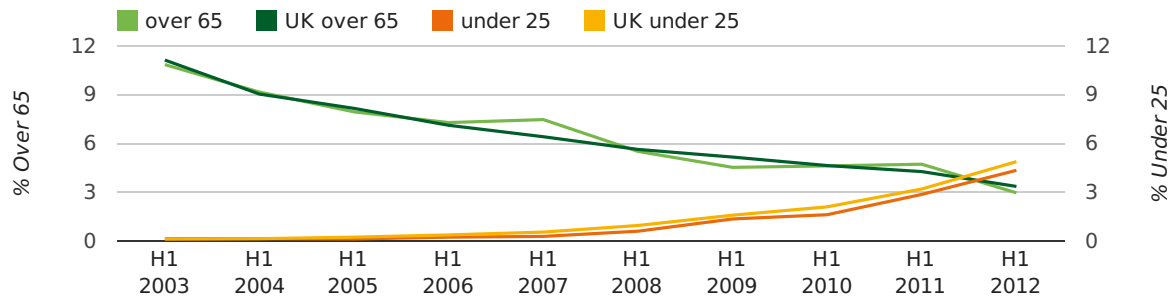
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

#### director age by half year



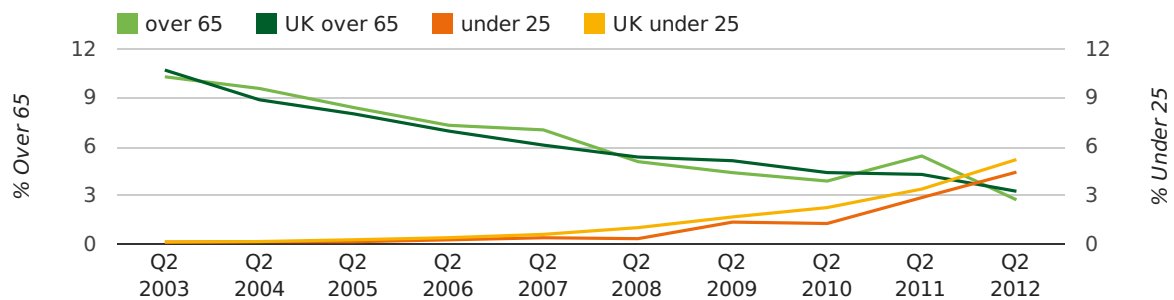
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

#### director age by quarter

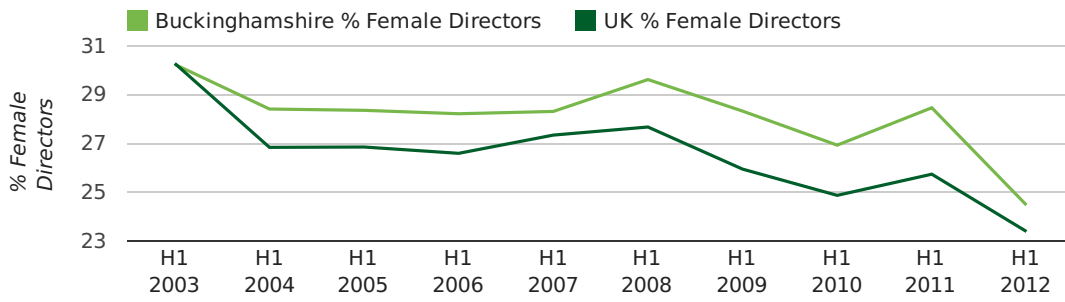


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

24.5% of all director appointments in Buckinghamshire 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



## 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
CONSULTING	3.04%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.43%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.41%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
PROPERTY	1.07%	PROPERTY	2.35%
ASSOCIATES	1.04%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANTS	0.88%	DESIGN	1.89%
DESIGN	0.74%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
IT	0.73%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
MK	0.68%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
MEDIA	0.65%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
TRADING	0.63%	BUSINESS	1.70%
SYSTEMS	0.63%	MEDIA	1.69%
J	0.62%	LONDON	1.68%
ENGINEERING	0.61%	J	1.57%
BUSINESS	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.51%
SALES	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
ENTERPRISES	0.57%	IT	1.42%
TRAINING	0.53%	CARE	1.31%
MARKETING	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
CAPITAL	0.53%	M	1.26%
CONSTRUCTION	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.51%	BUILDING	1.23%
CO	0.50%	SECURITY	1.19%
GLOBAL	0.46%	S	1.18%
MEDICAL	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	3,132	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	577	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	501	20,390
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	457	35,447
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	325	15,280
7414 - Business & management consultancy	279	10,978
99999 - Dormant Company	272	26,088
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	220	14,220
9999 - Dormant Company	195	16,469
62090 - Other information technology service activities	192	8,258
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	161	10,271
74990 - Non-trading company	149	9,706
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	134	6,356
9305 - Other service activities	127	7,926
7499 - Non-trading company	111	8,023
7260 - Other computer related activities	98	6,456
62012 - Business and domestic software development	77	4,742
98000 - Residents property management	75	3,001
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	66	4,295
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	61	4,644