Burton-On-Trent

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

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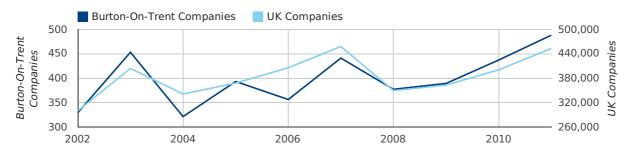
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2011 was a record year for company registrations in Burton-On-Trent when compared to any year in history.

A total of 488 companies were formed in Burton-On-Trent in 2011. This total is 11.7% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	488	452,870
2010	437	400,358
2009	389	362,675
2008	377	349,203
2007	441	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (488)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

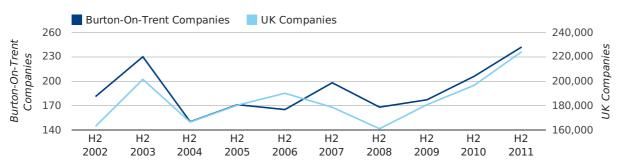
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Burton-On-Trent when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 242 companies were formed in Burton-On-Trent. This figure is 17.5% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Burton-On-Trent occurred in 2011 when a total of 242 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	242	224,135
2010	206	196,609
% CHANGE	17.5%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (242)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year

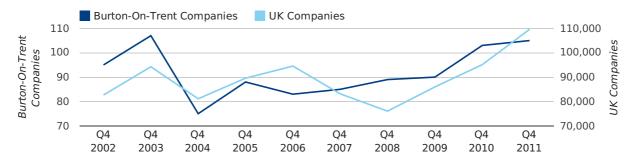


A total of 105 companies were registered in Burton-On-Trent during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 1.9% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly 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)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	105	109,623
2010	103	95,117
% CHANGE	1.9%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (107)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

November 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Burton-On-Trent when compared to any previous November.

new companies by month

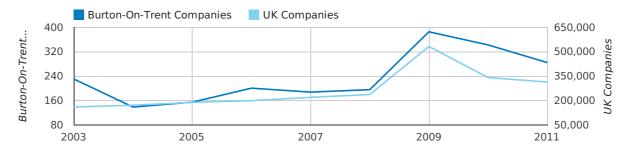


	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	34	43	28
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	38	40	25
% CHANGE	-10.5%	7.5%	12.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (45)	2011 (43)	2003 (32)

A total of 285 companies were dissolved in Burton-On-Trent in 2011. This total is 16.9% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	285	314,523
2010	343	342,232
2009	386	533,773
2008	196	237,901
2007	188	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (386)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



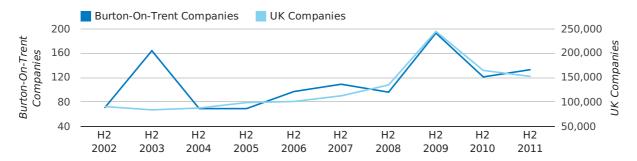
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 133 companies were dissolved in Burton-On-Trent. This figure is 9.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Burton-On-Trent occurred in 2009 when a total of 193 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	133	152,213
2010	121	164,601
% CHANGE	9.9%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (193)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year

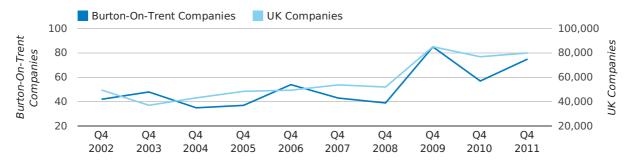


A total of 75 companies were dissolved in Burton-On-Trent during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 31.6% 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)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	75	79,983
2010	57	76,896
% CHANGE	31.6%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (85)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Burton-On-Trent when compared to any previous December.

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dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	15	36	24
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	16	26	15
% CHANGE	-6.3%	38.5%	60%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (30)	2011 (36)	2011 (24)

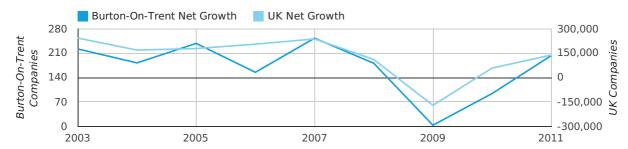
A total of 203 companies were added to the company register for Burton-On-Trent in 2011. This number represents growth of 46.5% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 109 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2007 when the Burton-On-Trent company register grew by 253 companies.

YEAR	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	203	138,347
2010	94	58,126
2009	3	-171,098
2008	181	111,302
2007	253	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2007 (253)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

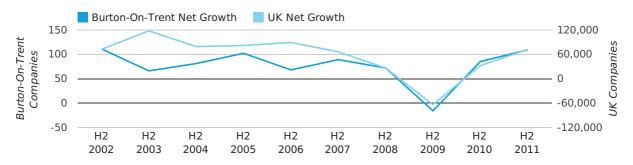


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Burton-On-Trent increased by 109 companies. This figure is 28.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	109	71,922
2010	85	32,008
% CHANGE	28.2%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (111)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year

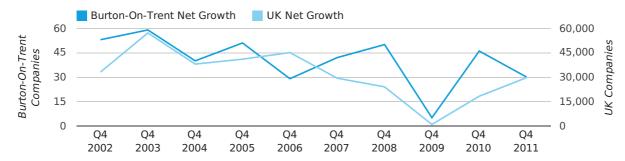


Net company growth for Burton-On-Trent during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 30 companies.

This represents a decrease of 34.8% on the same period last year.

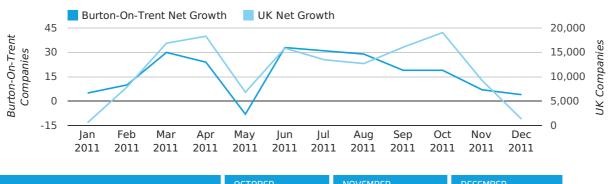
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	BURTON-ON-TRENT	UK
2011	30	29,640
2010	46	18,221
% CHANGE	-34.8%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (59)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month

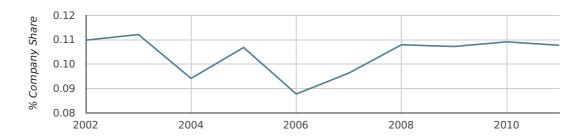


	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	19	7	4
NET GROWTH IN 2010	22	14	10
% CHANGE	-13.6%	-50.0%	-60.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (39)	2002 (28)	2005 (21)

In 2011 Burton-On-Trent formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Burton-On-Trent was responsible for 0.1% of all UK companies.

YEAR	BURTON-ON-TRENT
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.3%)

company share by year

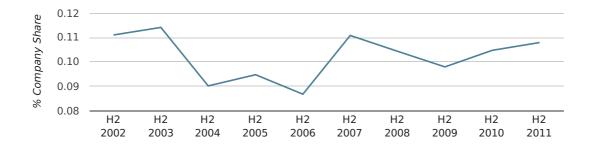


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Burton-On-Trent formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	BURTON-ON-TRENT
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2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.2%)

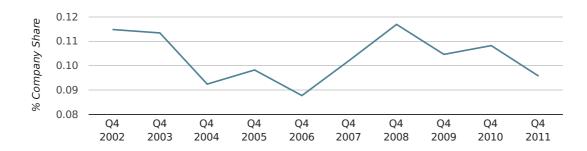
company share by half year



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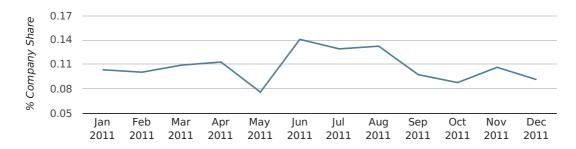
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2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



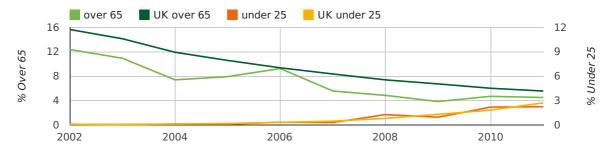
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-22.3%	-8.5%	-0.7%
RECORD YEAR	1975 (0.3%)	1961 (0.5%)	1965 (0.4%)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



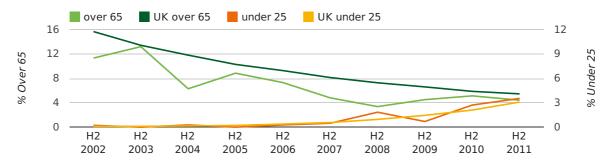
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 44.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year

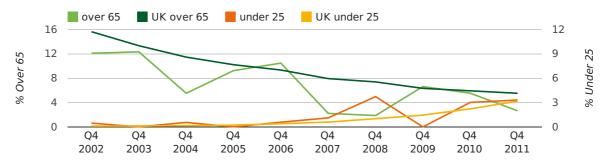


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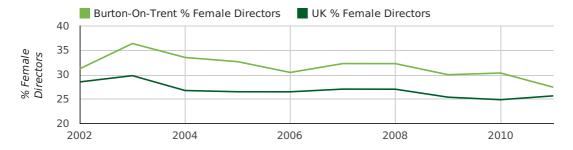
director age by quarter



The record year for female directors in Burton-On-Trent was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Burton-On-Trent in 2011 was 31.3%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

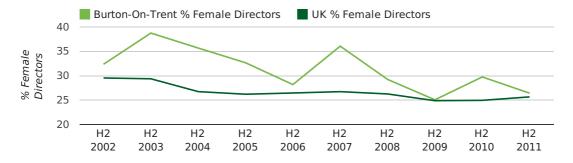


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Burton-On-Trent was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

26.4% of all director appointments in Burton-On-Trent 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

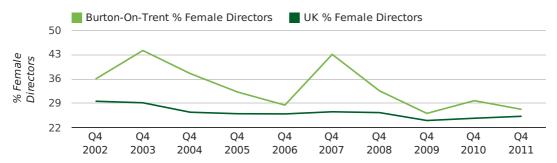




The record fourth quarter for female directors in Burton-On-Trent was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

27.3% of all director appointments in Burton-On-Trent 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



naming trends $\operatorname{duport} \omega$

Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

 ${\sf Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, \&, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.}\\$

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
BURTON	1.29%	CONSULTING	5.07%
ENGINEERING	1.29%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.17%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
М	1.05%	PROPERTY	2.37%
ELECTRICAL	0.94%	TRADING	2.07%
MANAGEMENT	0.94%	DESIGN	1.92%
(BURTON)	0.82%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
CONSULTING	0.82%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
ASSOCIATES	0.70%	BUSINESS	1.78%
CARE	0.70%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
BEAUTY	0.70%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
BUSINESS	0.70%	MEDIA	1.71%
HAIR	0.70%	LONDON	1.63%
BUILDING	0.70%	J	1.51%
J	0.70%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
PROPERTIES	0.70%	GLOBAL	1.46%
SPIRIT	0.58%	IT	1.41%
CLEANING	0.58%	CARE	1.39%
P	0.58%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
TRAINING	0.58%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
MEDICAL	0.47%	M	1.27%
CONSULTANTS	0.47%	BUILDING	1.26%
(MIDLANDS)	0.47%	ENERGY	1.25%
SAFETY	0.47%	S	1.20%
TRADE	0.47%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

None Supplied 7487 - Other business activities 74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	174 36	205,525 57,052
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70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	29	17,765
9999 - Dormant Company	19	20,199
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	18	32,483
7414 - Business & management consultancy	13	13,034
99999 - Dormant Company	13	21,846
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	11	11,768
86900 - Other human health activities	10	4,457
7499 - Non-trading company	8	9,957
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	8	12,072
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	8	2,452
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	7	7,398
49410 - Freight transport by road	7	2,392
96020 - Hairdressing and other beauty treatment	7	2,380
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	7	5,558
7260 - Other computer related activities	7	7,667
8514 - Other human health activities	7	2,637
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	6	2,699