# **Cardiff**

q3 2011 business confidence report



## headlines

- Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous Q3.
- September 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous September.
- August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous August.
- August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Cardiff when compared to any previous August.

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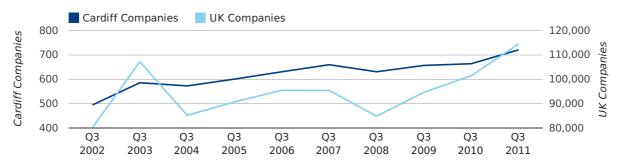
Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous Q3.

A total of 721 companies were registered in Cardiff during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 8.6% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CARDIFF	UK
2011	721	114,512
2010	664	101,492
% CHANGE	8.6%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (721)	2011 (114,512)

#### new companies by quarter

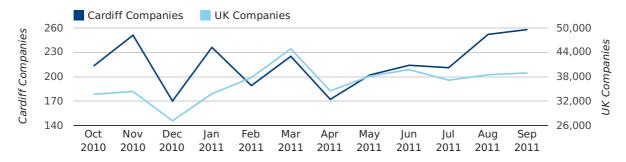


#### Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

September 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous September.

August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Cardiff when compared to any previous August.

#### new companies by month



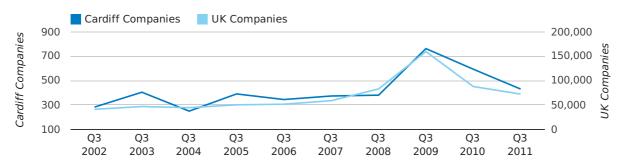
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	211	252	258
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	201	222	241
% CHANGE	5.0%	13.5%	7.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (229)	2011 (252)	2011 (258)

A total of 430 companies were dissolved in Cardiff during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 27.5% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

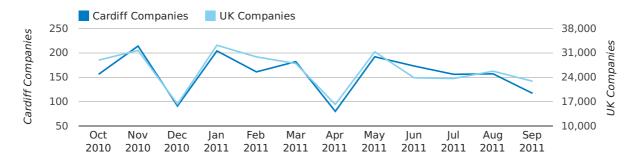
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CARDIFF	UK
2011	430	72,230
2010	593	87,705
% CHANGE	-27.5%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (762)	2009 (159,401)

#### dissolved companies by quarter



#### Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



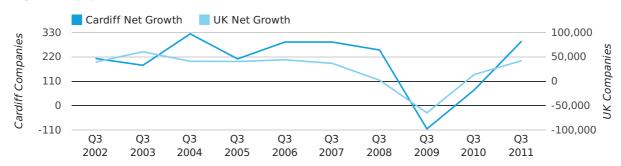
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	156	157	117
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	179	210	204
% CHANGE	-12.8%	-25.2%	-43%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (179)	2008 (283)	2009 (395)

Net company growth for Cardiff during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 291 companies.

This represents an increase of 309.9% on the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CARDIFF	UK
2011	291	42,282
2010	71	13,787
% CHANGE	309.9%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (324)	2003 (60,597)

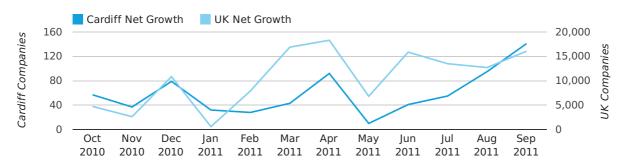
#### net growth by quarter



#### Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Cardiff when compared to any previous August.

#### net growth by month

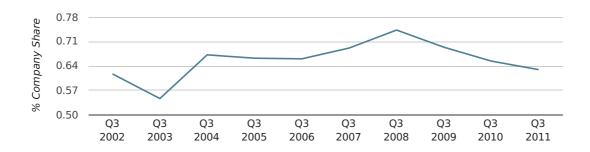


	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	55	95	141
NET GROWTH IN 2010	22	12	37
% CHANGE	150.0%	691.7%	281.1%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (193)	2011 (95)	2002 (181)

In the third quarter of 2011, Cardiff formed 0.6% of all UK companies.

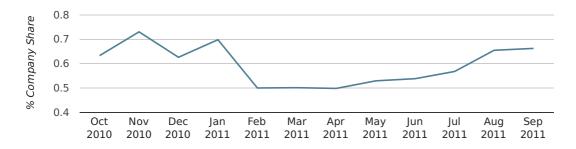
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CARDIFF
2011	0.6%
2010	0.7%
2009	0.7%
2008	0.7%
2007	0.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (0.8%)

#### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

#### company share by month



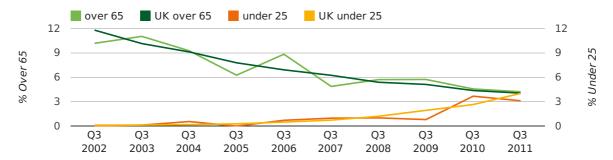
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%
% CHANGE	-3.9%	-4.5%	-3.3%
RECORD YEAR	1971 (1.1%)	1970 (1.3%)	1972 (0.9%)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 43.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

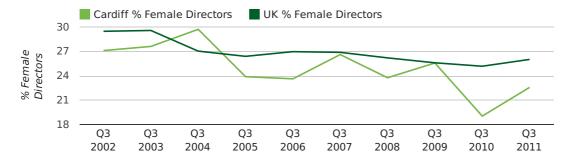
#### director age by quarter



The record third quarter for female directors in Cardiff was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

22.6% of all director appointments in Cardiff in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter



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## Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CO.,	2.36%	CONSULTING	5.11%
CARDIFF	1.93%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
INTERNATIONAL	1.47%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
MANAGEMENT	1.44%	PROPERTY	2.41%
TRADING	1.18%	TRADING	2.06%
TRADE	1.12%	DESIGN	1.94%
CONSULTING	1.04%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
PROPERTY	0.72%	BUSINESS	1.82%
(WALES)	0.72%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
(CARDIFF)	0.69%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
CONSULTANCY	0.69%	MEDIA	1.72%
DEVELOPMENT	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
BUSINESS	0.66%	LONDON	1.63%
PROPERTIES	0.66%	J	1.47%
ENERGY	0.63%	GLOBAL	1.46%
WALES	0.63%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
SOLAR	0.58%	CARE	1.42%
INDUSTRY	0.58%	IT	1.38%
CARE	0.58%	BUILDING	1.30%
CONSULTANTS	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
CO	0.52%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
MEDIA	0.52%	М	1.25%
J	0.49%	ENERGY	1.22%
S	0.49%	TRAINING	1.21%
PROJECTS	0.49%	S	1.21%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,923	204,493
74990 - Non-trading company	289	8,064
7487 - Other business activities	283	65,177
7499 - Non-trading company	254	11,543
9999 - Dormant Company	100	22,587
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	97	29,245
99999 - Dormant Company	80	18,281
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	54	15,760
7414 - Business & management consultancy	42	14,755
9305 - Other service activities	41	10,525
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	36	10,018
5530 - Restaurants	34	5,640
62090 - Other information technology service activities	31	6,798
7260 - Other computer related activities	31	8,686
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	30	7,551
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	30	8,345
6523 - Other financial intermediation	30	2,173
7032 - Manage real estate, fee or contract	27	2,493
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	26	6,321
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	25	10,137