

Carnforth

2011 annual business confidence report



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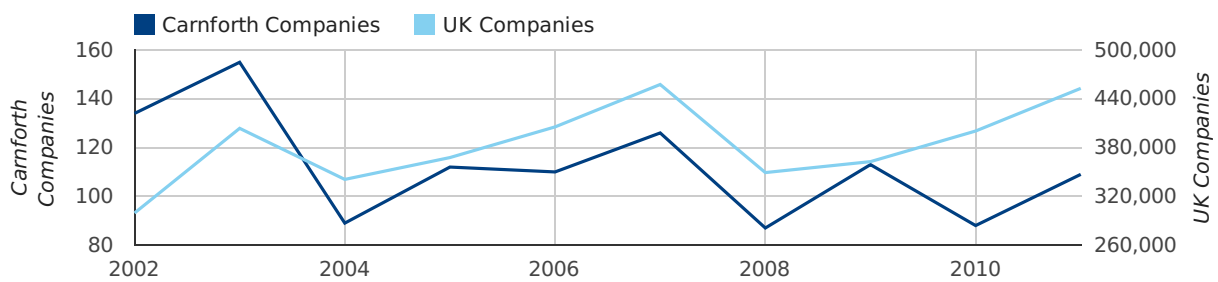
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 109 companies were formed in Carnforth in 2011. This total is 23.9% higher than in 2010 and compares poorly to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	109	452,870
2010	88	400,358
2009	113	362,675
2008	87	349,203
2007	126	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (155)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



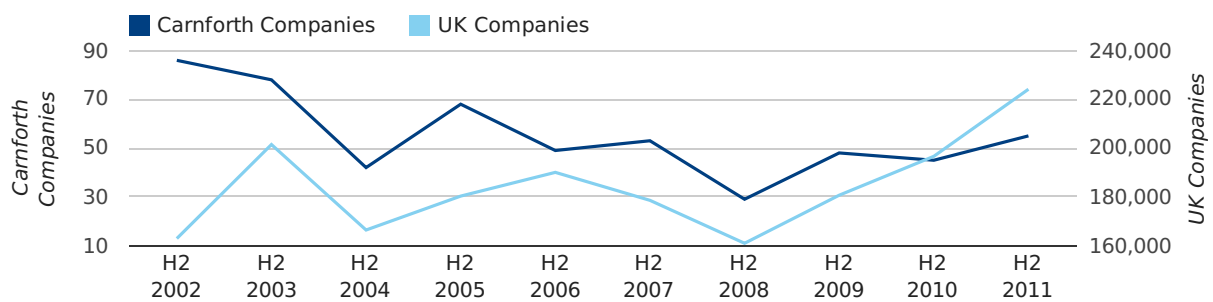
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 55 companies were formed in Carnforth. This figure is 22.2% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Carnforth occurred in 2002 when a total of 86 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	55	224,135
2010	45	196,609
% CHANGE	22.2%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (86)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



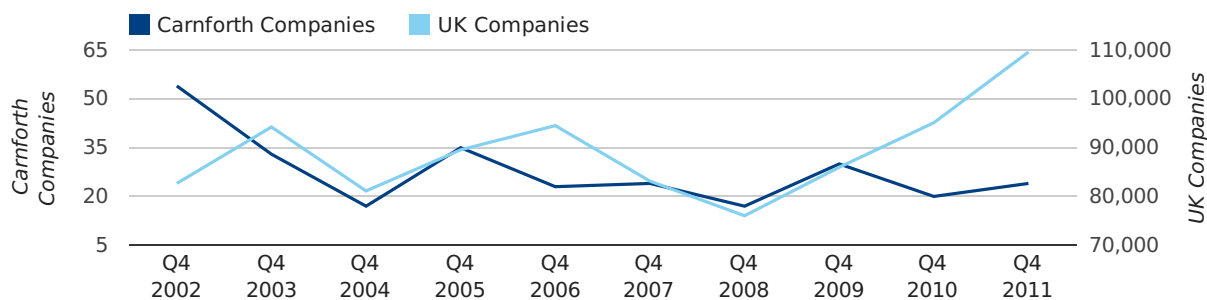
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 24 companies were registered in Carnforth during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 20.0% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

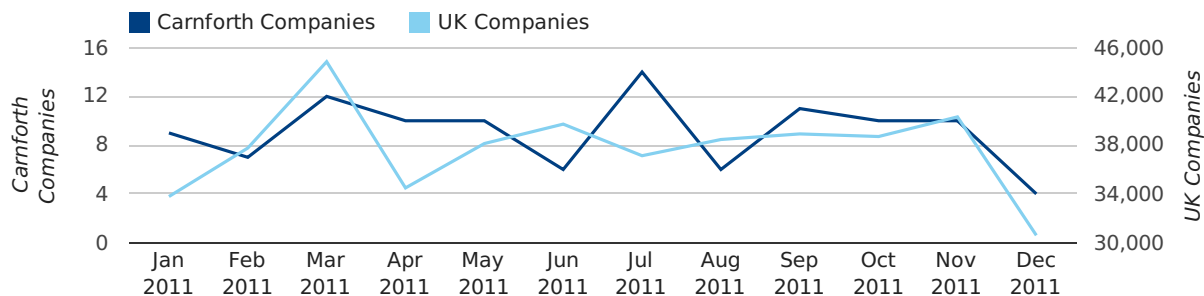
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	24	109,623
2010	20	95,117
% CHANGE	20.0%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (54)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



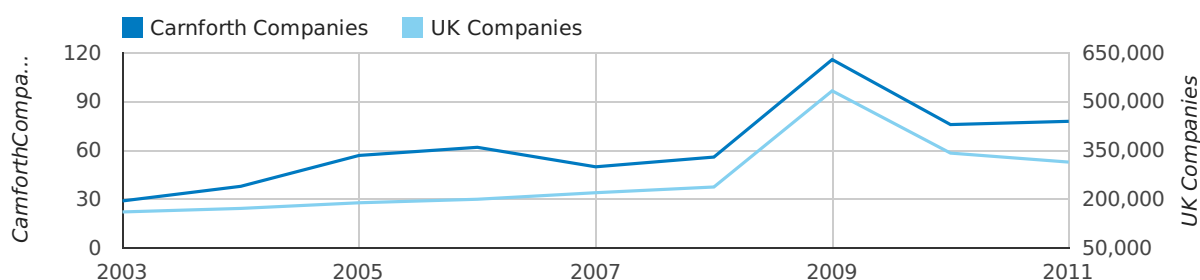
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	10	10	4
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	5	8	7
% CHANGE	100.0%	25.0%	-42.9%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (19)	2002 (19)	2002 (16)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 78 companies were dissolved in Carnforth in 2011. This total is 2.6% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	78	314,523
2010	76	342,232
2009	116	533,773
2008	56	237,901
2007	50	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (116)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



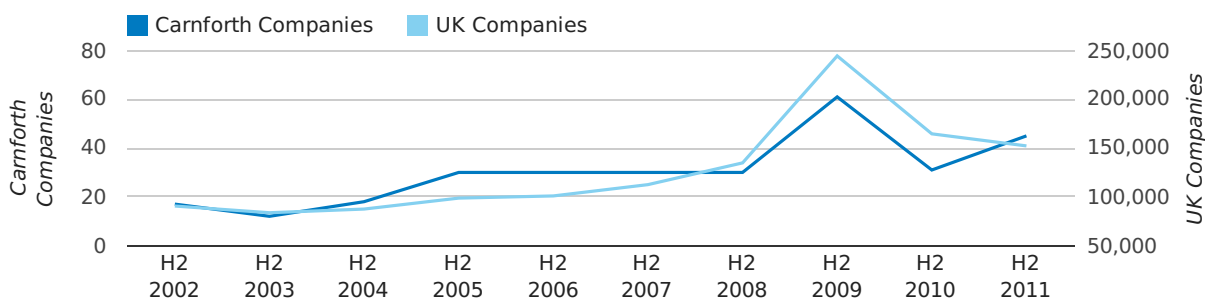
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 45 companies were dissolved in Carnforth. This figure is 45.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Carnforth occurred in 2009 when a total of 61 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	45	152,213
2010	31	164,601
% CHANGE	45.2%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (61)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



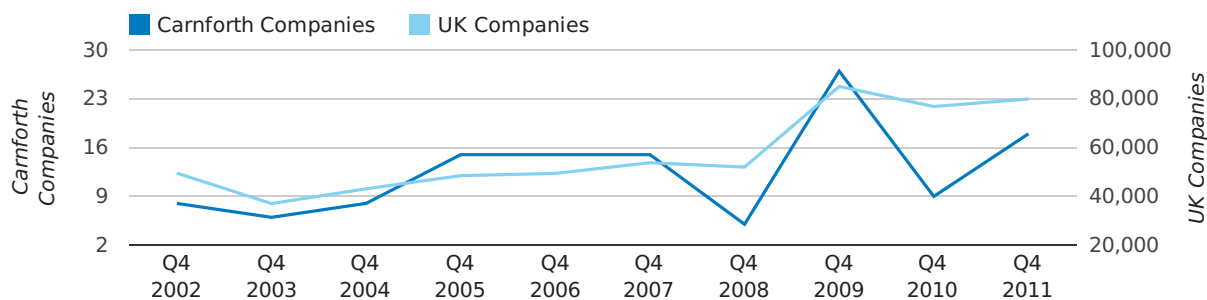
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 18 companies were dissolved in Carnforth during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 100.0% 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)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	18	79,983
2010	9	76,896
% CHANGE	100.0%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (27)	2009 (85,136)

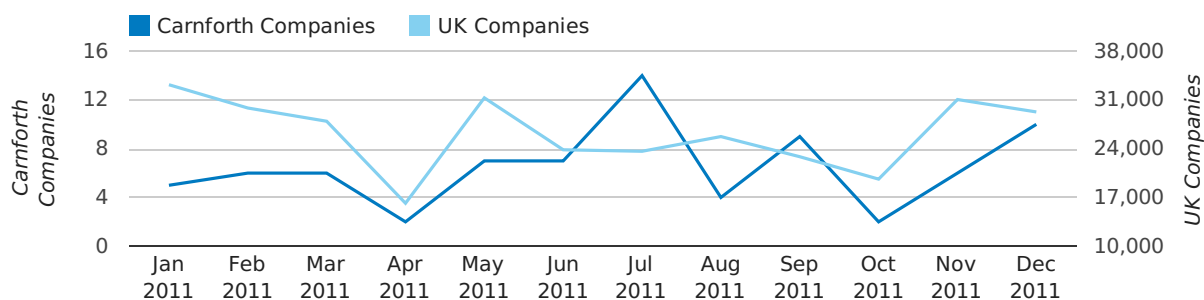
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	2	6	10
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	4	3	2
% CHANGE	-50.0%	100.0%	400%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (9)	2009 (11)	2011 (10)

Annual Data (2011)

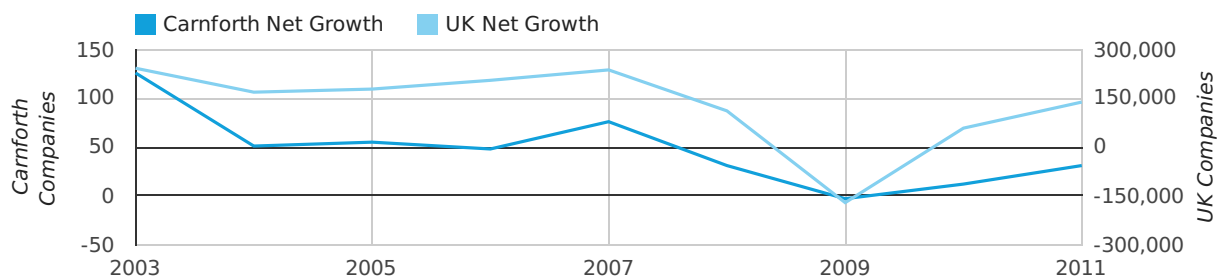
A total of 31 companies were added to the company register for Carnforth in 2011. This number represents growth of 35.2% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 19 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Carnforth company register grew by 126 companies.

YEAR	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	31	138,347
2010	12	58,126
2009	-3	-171,098
2008	31	111,302
2007	76	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (126)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

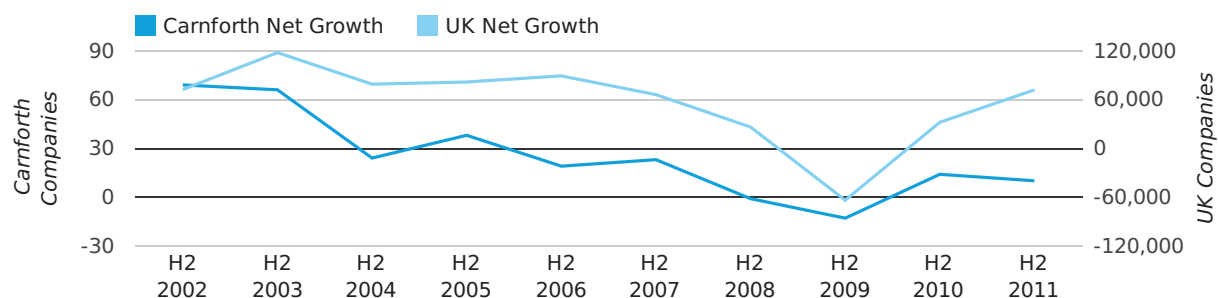


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Carnforth increased by 10 companies. This figure is 28.6% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	10	71,922
2010	14	32,008
% CHANGE	-28.6%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (69)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



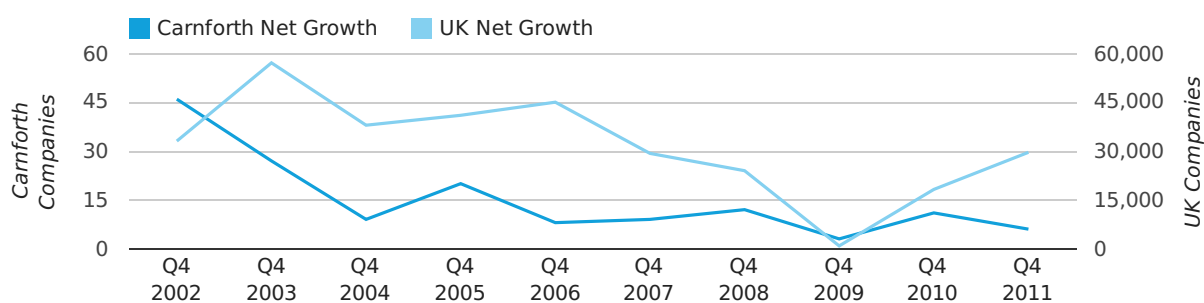
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Carnforth during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 6 companies.

This represents a decrease of 45.5% on the same period last year.

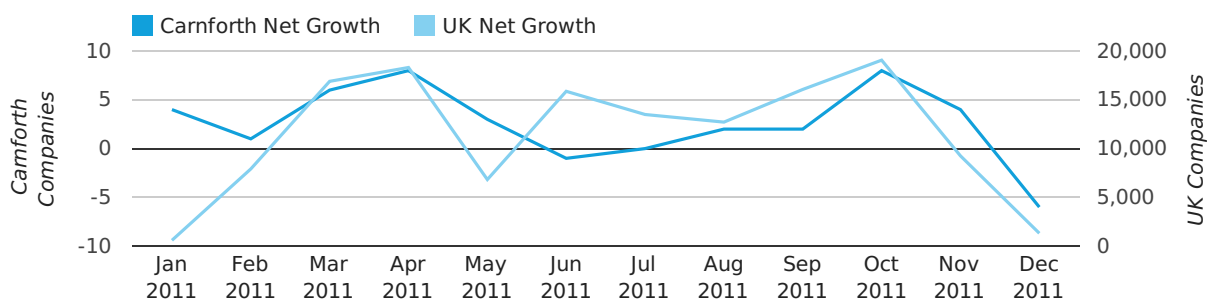
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	CARNFORTH	UK
2011	6	29,640
2010	11	18,221
% CHANGE	-45.5%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (46)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



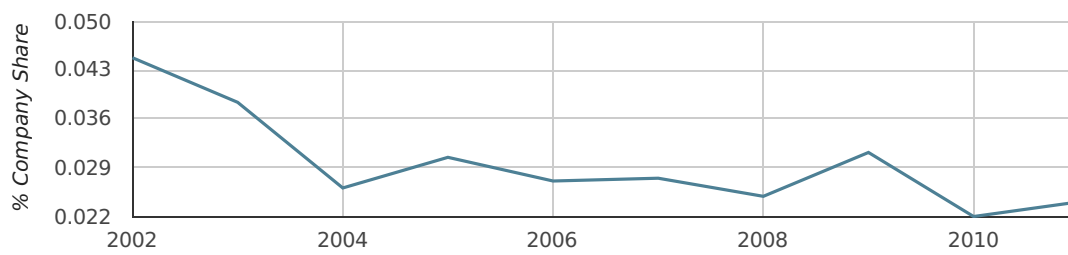
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	8	4	-6
NET GROWTH IN 2010	1	5	5
% CHANGE	700.0%	-20.0%	-220.0%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (17)	2002 (17)	2002 (12)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Carnforth formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Carnforth was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	CARNFORTH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.1%)

company share by year

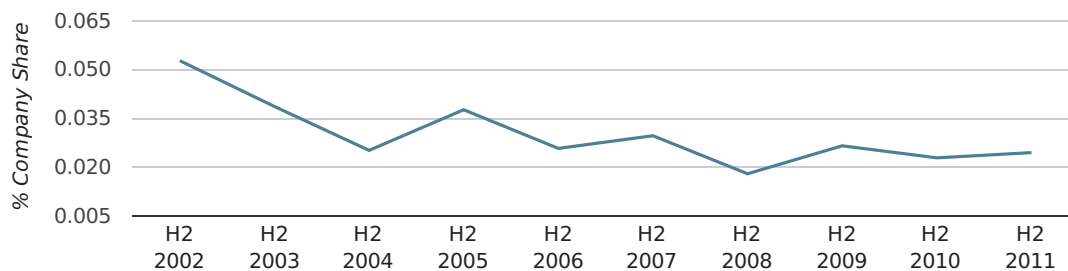


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Carnforth formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	CARNFORTH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (0.1%)

company share by half year

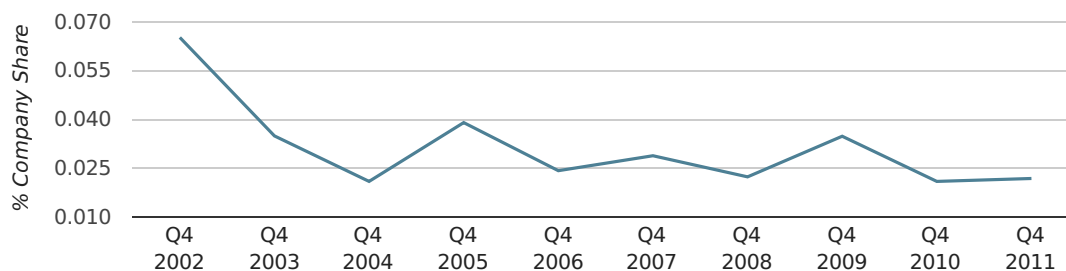


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Carnforth formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

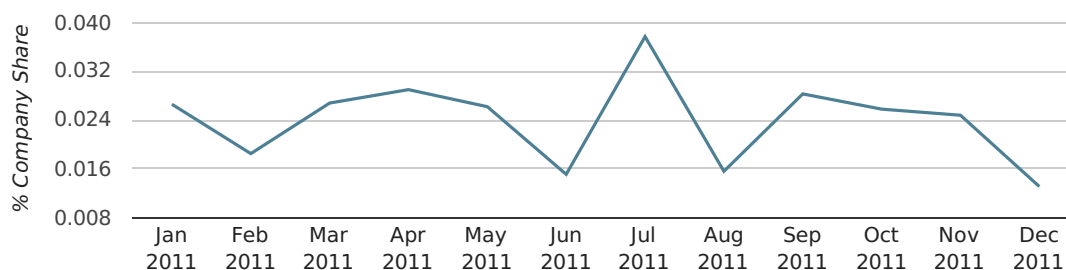
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	CARNFORTH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	73.2%	6.4%	-49.2%
RECORD YEAR	1967 (0.3%)	1967 (0.2%)	1968 (0.2%)

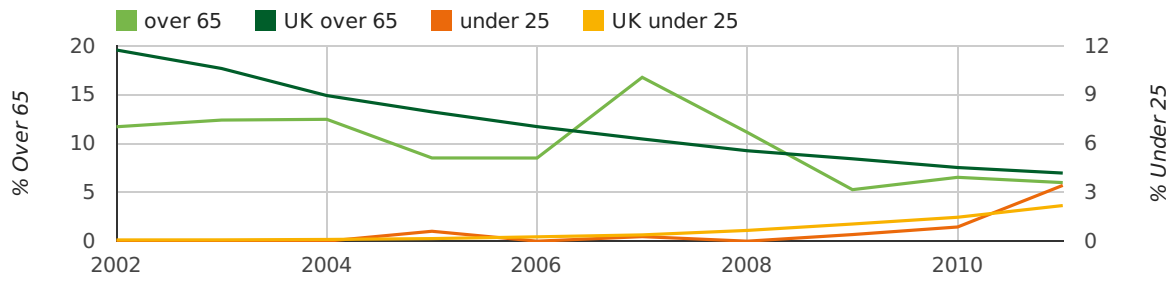
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 46.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



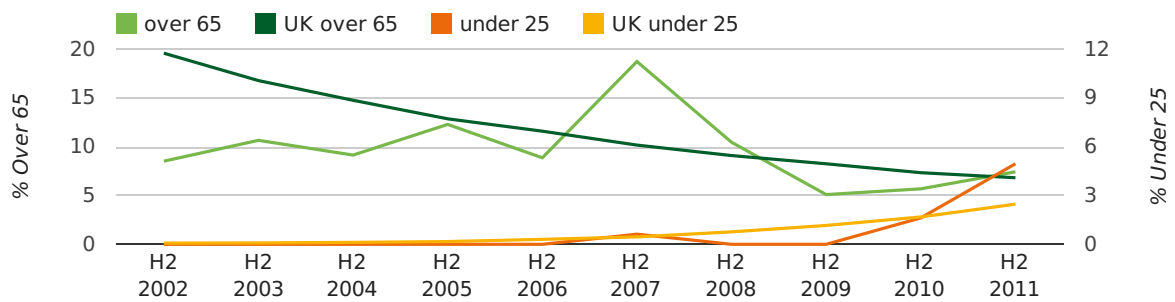
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 47.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

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

director age by half year



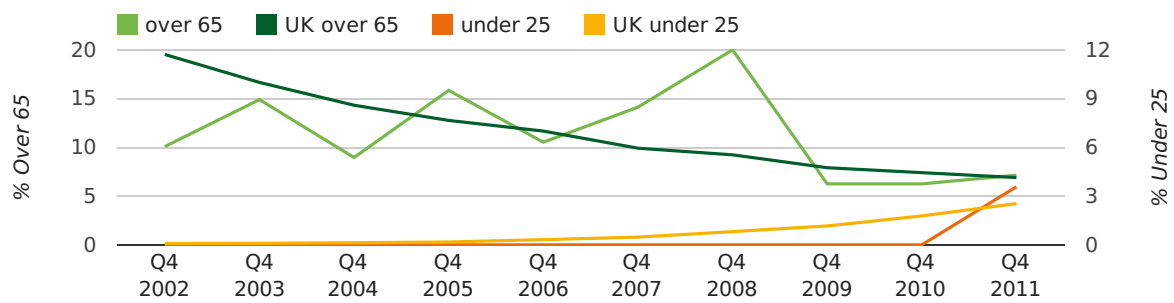
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 48.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

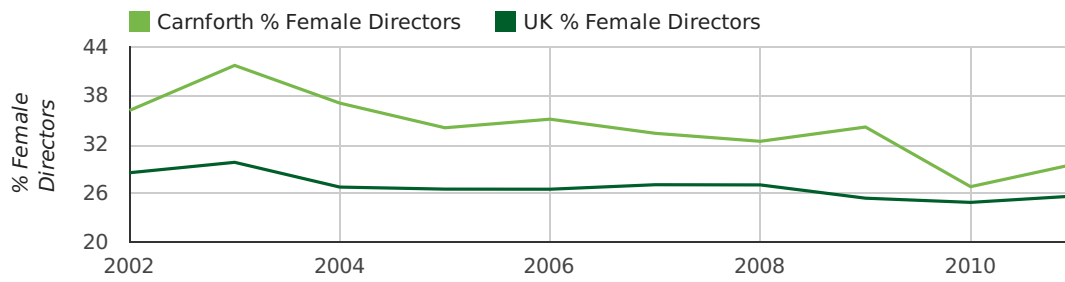


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Carnforth in 2011 was 36.2%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

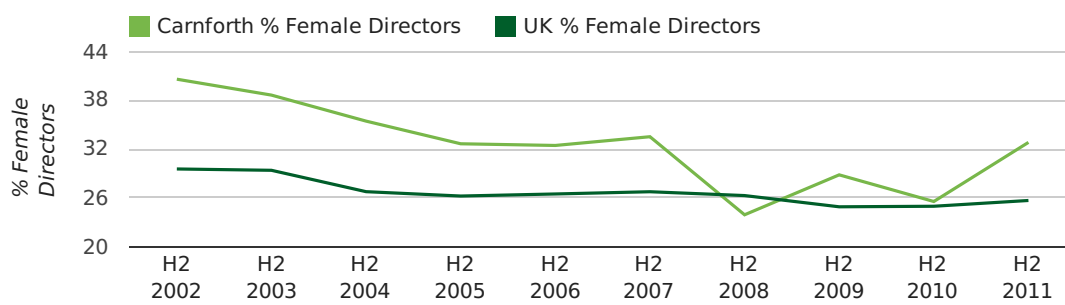


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

32.8% of all director appointments in Carnforth 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

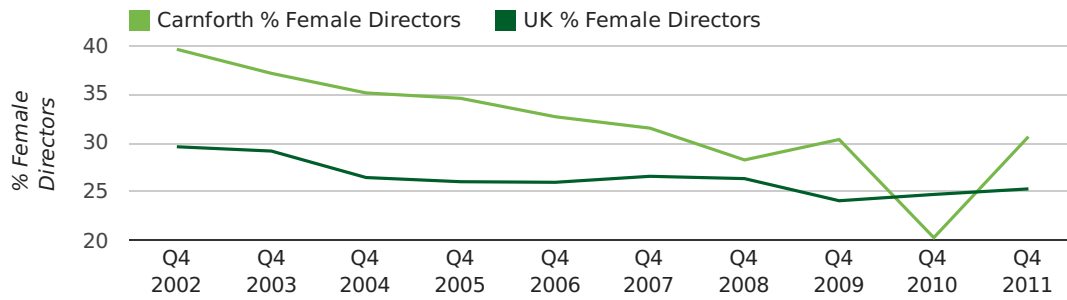


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

30.6% of all director appointments in Carnforth 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
MANAGEMENT	1.92%	CONSULTING	5.07%
ELECTRICAL	1.92%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
TRAINING	1.53%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
KIRKBY	1.15%	PROPERTY	2.37%
LONSDALE	1.15%	TRADING	2.07%
SCHOOL	1.15%	DESIGN	1.92%
Z	1.15%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
L	1.15%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
ARNSIDE	0.77%	BUSINESS	1.78%
BUILDING	0.77%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
IT	0.77%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
CAMP	0.77%	MEDIA	1.71%
CONSULTANCY	0.77%	LONDON	1.63%
(NORTH	0.77%	J	1.51%
EMPIRE	0.77%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CONSULTING	0.77%	GLOBAL	1.46%
LETTINGS	0.77%	IT	1.41%
CUMBRIA	0.77%	CARE	1.39%
WEST)	0.77%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
TRADING	0.77%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
ENVIRONMENTAL	0.77%	M	1.27%
BEAUTY	0.77%	BUILDING	1.26%
PRODUCTIONS	0.77%	ENERGY	1.25%
HEALTH	0.77%	S	1.20%
ENGLAND	0.77%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	41	205,525
99999 - Dormant Company	11	21,846
7487 - Other business activities	6	57,052
9999 - Dormant Company	6	20,199
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	5	17,765
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	4	11,768
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	4	32,483
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	4	8,671
74990 - Non-trading company	4	8,929
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	3	12,072
5010 - Sale of motor vehicles	3	1,040
6713 - Auxiliary financial intermed	3	149
46900 - Non-specialised wholesale trade	3	1,445
7414 - Business & management consultancy	3	13,034
41100 - Development of building projects	3	4,331
9262 - Other sporting activities	2	1,650
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	2	2,699
5522 - Camp sites, including caravan sites	2	44
47240 - Retail sale of bread, cakes, flour confectionery and sugar confectionery in specialised stores	2	282
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	2	2,395